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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

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TO

SAC, MINNEAPOLIS (70-6882)

DATE:

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FROM

ASAC PHILIP F. ENLOW

SUBJECT:

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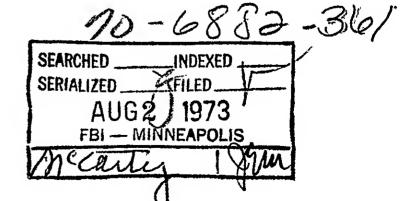
At 9:13 A. M. this date, Supervisor Oklahoma City, telephonically advised that RUSSELL MEANS with unidentified males and one female departed Oklahoma City on Continental Flight 443 scheduled to arrive Denver at 10:08 A. M. and Rapid City at 10:55. He was unable to furnish any other identifying information at this time.

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FROM : SA John E. McCarty		•	•
SUBJECT: Russell Means; CIR-ARL			
While at U.S.District Co	ourt on anoth	er matter, Tom (Conroy, Realty
officer at Pine Ridge S.D. adv	rised he rece	ntly had a talk	with h
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stated he knew mos	st people fee	l he and his far	mily are pro-
AIM, but that this is not true.			
Means, and he has been			although he
had ordered Means		,	
said that on one oc		g the summer of	1972.Means
left the country for a period			•
full of documents in		rero a surocase	and a principle
said he went throug	the documents	nts, and still ha	as them. He
made the statement to Contoy t	hat Conroy w	ould be shocked	if he knew the
names of some of the contribut	ors to the A	IM movements. He	e indicated the
documents included membership	and contribu	tors lists and s	said"They include
enough stuff to put Means away	r. ^{II} .		
Conroy advised wan	its to get ric	d of the documer	nts, but doesn't
know what to do with them. He	is of the op:	inion that if	is
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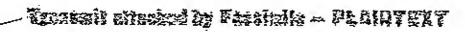
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impression to that they believe he has AIM sympathies, as he is	b6 b7
quite upset about the fact local people do feel this way, and noted	
has requested a fransfer because of this.	
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source of this information.	

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576	3:10 p.m.	7:55 p.m.	15
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United Airlines (UAL),

Los Angeles International Airport

(LAK), advised that he had determined that the following
number of vacant seats existed on the following Los
Angeles to Denver, Colorado, UAL flights on April 26, 1973:

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210	5:05 p.m.	8:00 p.m.	45

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A source advised that on individual introduced of MISSELL MANS, retional leader of the American Indian Processot (AM), addressed on essently of about 150-175 students at Janes Steps on the carpus of the University of California at Los Angoles.

to source as introduced MEANS stating he was to have his boad revoked that day.

Source indicated that BUSSKIL WEARS then spele and during his speech unde the following statement:

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Source indicated the speech lasted approximately

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ON THIS PATE, OXIMUMA CITY DEVELOPED INFORMATION RUSSELL. means would arrive at this international airport, 7:44 p.m. ON AMERICAN AIRLINES PLICHT 393 FROM CLEVELAND. ONTO.

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AMERICAN ADDITION, CLEVELAND HOPKING AIRPORT, ADVISED

THAT BUSSELL MEANS ARVEAUED AT THE AIRPORT

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SUBJECTS WELL INDICTED ON 3/20/13: AND MEARS ARRESTED ON 4/5/73 AND BELLECOURT ABBESTED ON 4/12/73 FOR THE ABOVE CHANGES AS A RESULT OF THEIR ACTIVITIES DURING DISORDERS AT MOUNTED BREE. SUTHY DARDTA. ON 4/16/73, SURJECTS WERE ARRANGED REFORE ANDREW EXCUE. U. S. DISTRICT JUDGE, AT PIERIE, SCHITH DAROTA. HOWE CAPTIBUID SUBJECTS

BY JAKES H. WILSON, U. S. MAGISTRATE, RAPID CITY, SAUTH DAKOTA.

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POSSESSION OF UNREGISTERED FIREARNS, ARL, IMPEDING FEDERAL
OFFICERS, AFO, CONSPIRACY.

RUSSELL CHARLES MEANS, HAS ISSUED PRESS RELEASE APRIL 27
INSTANT STATUS HE DOES NOT INTEND TO RETURN TO RAPID CITY, SOUTH
DANOTA BUT RATHER WILL EITHER BE ARRESTED OR SUPPRENDER HIMSELF
IN LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA. MEANS SCHEDULED TO HOLD 11:00 AN
PRESS CONFERENCE TODAY AT AMERICAN INDIAN MOVEMENT (AIM) OFFICE,
690 SOUTH NEW HAMPSHIRE, LOS AMERICAN TOTALNER ELABORATE HIS INTENTIONS.

LOS ARRELES PO INTELLIGENCE SURVEILLANCE UNITS REPORT REANS SPENT EVENING AT 12900 MALHOLLAND DRIVE, LOS ANGELES, RESIDENCE OF MOVIE ACTOR MARLON BRANDO. IT IS NOT KNOWN IF EMANDO WAS PRESENT.

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Source schised that at approximately 12:10 p.m., a person frentified as HUSSELL MAKS, Leader of the American Indian Hovement, addressed a press conference held at 600 South New Hampshire Avenue, los Angeles, an address which houses the Indian Center, Incorporated.

According to source, MEANS initiated the press conference by stating that the United States Covernment had once again showed its stapidity and made him a martyr by revoking his bail, according to MEANS on a technicality.

According to source, when asked by a women in the audience why he decided not to return to South Bekota for the hearing, MEARS stated he did not decide against it, but the airlines decided against it as they were booked up.

According to source, when asked the question would you give yourself up or would they have to come and get you, MEARS replied that the United States Government has seen fit to spend \$57,000 per day at Wounded Knee in an effort to sterve out Indians and he hoped they could spend that such per day looking for him.

According to source, when asked if he thought he would be arrested when he left the Indian Center, MEANS replied "If they've got good fighters, I'll be arrested.

Source indicated that MANS was seled whether he felt Pederal Agents knew where he was at the moment. To this MEANS replied, "I believe they are surrounding the building right now, in fact, I can tall that they are, but I'm telling you, they're going to have to take me to jail either unconscious or dead.

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Source indicated that WANE rade other coments during the press conference, but these appeared to be the highlights.

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It is noted interviews set forth in this report have previously been reported in MP 70-6832, Bufile 70-58443, captioned "WOUNDED KNEE".

INFORMANTS AND CONFIDENTIAL SOURCES

On 6/14/73 the Colorado Division advised unconfirmed information had been received regarding a power struggle within AIM between the standing leadership and VERNON and CLYDE BELLECOURT; the issue allegedly surrounds the misuse of funds by VERNON BELLECOURT. Position of RUSSELL MEANS was unknown.

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LEADS

DENVER

AT DENVER, COLORADO

An information copy of this report is being forwarded Denver in view of their interest in RUSSELL MEANS.

OKLAHOMA CITY

AT OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLAHOMA

Will through Department of Motor Vehicles	s attempt
to obtain the name address and other information	<u>availahl</u> e
for the owner of a	1
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'Informants and Confidential Sources').

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PHOENIX

AT PHOENIX, ARIZONA

Will provide Minneapolis with details of the 6/18/73 arraignment of RUSSELL MEANS.

RICHMOND

AT RICHMOND, VIRGINIA

Will provide coverage of the personal appearance of RUSSELL MEANS on 9/24/73 as scheduled by the Student Government Association of Virginia Commonwealth University, if admittance can be gained, noting in particular, mention by MEANS of future plans of action by AIM and past violence or future plans of violence by AIM or MEANS.

MINNEAPOLIS	
AT	NORTH DAKOTA
regarding his aff	o contact and interview liliation with AIM, contact with
activities in Wounded Kn siege by AIM.	NKS, and other AIM leaders, and his ee, South Dakota, during the 71-day

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AT RAPID CITY, SOUTH DAKOTA

Will, through AUSA; District of South Dakota, follow prosecution of MEANS.

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RUSSELL CHARLES MEANS

Character:

CRIME ON INDIAN RESERVATION - BURGLARY AND LARCENY; ANTI-RIOT LAWS; ASSAULTING A FEDERAL OFFICER; CONSPIRACY; IMPEDING FEDERAL OFFICERS; UNLAWFUL POSSESSION OF

FIREARMS

Synopsis:

Wounded Knee hostage advised RUSSELL MEANS was the leader of the group which broke into the Sacred Heart Catholic Church on 2/27/73 and MEANS was the individual who instructed his captors to tie him securely when he was taken as a hostage. USDC, District of S.D., advised MEANS is continued at \$50,000 bond relative to his indictments in the District of S.D. Modified travel restrictions set forth. SUBJECTS INVOLVED IN ARMED CONFRONTATION AT WOUNDED KNEE SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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DETAILS: AT PINE RIDGE, SOUTH DAKOTA

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•	Ridge Indian Reservation, was interviewed regarding the		
	meeting at the Calico, South Dakota, Community Hall prior	•	•
*	to the take-over of Wounded Knee. He provided the following	•	
	intermation:		
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	advised while reviewing his in-		• "
•• •	vestigative notes that the tollowing sequence of events	1	• !
^	occurred prior to the take-over of Wounded Knee. He	:	
	stated that shortly after the meeting of the American Indian	•	
.'	Movement (AIM) at Custer, South Dakota, on February 6, 1973,	•	
•	rumors came to his attention that the AIM people were going		
, ,	to move to Pine Ridge, South Dakota, and take over the Bureau		
_	of Indian Affairs (BIA) Building. On February 9, 1973,	.,	
	he requested outside BIA assistance. On February 10, 1072		-
	an attempt was made by unknown persons, suspect being		**
	to fire bomb the Red and White Store at Whiteclay,	•	
•	Nebraska. Two fire bombs were found. with		•
	the Sheriff's Department in Nebraska, found one of the fire		
	bombs. On February 10, 1973, Captain advised	•	
	that TOM CONROY. IR. residing at Pine Ridge, had reported	•	
-	to him, Captair that AIM was coming to Pine Ridge	• •	
	to "bomb the place." On February 10, 1973, HOBART KEITH,	•	•
	Pine Ridge Judge, advised that something was going on in	, '	
	Porcupine and he believed some type of meeting at the Com-		,
•	munity Hall. The same day called the marshals office	•	••
	at Washington, D.C., and requested a marshals force.	•	٠.
	advised that	۶۳	
•	now assigned to Eagle Butte, South Dakota, would probably	*	
	have more detailed information recording the amplimination	- 🔀	*
	events to the tokenower of Weinder Knee. He added		
	Aberdeen, South Dakota,	•	
	wan In Mapid Vily prior to the take over of Wounded Knee and		•
	could probably provide substantial information.		٠
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On February 14, 1973, the Oglala Sioux Civil Rights Organization (OSCRO) held a meeting at Calico, South Dakota, on the Pine Ridge Reservation, and there they set up a head-quarters for their Civil Rights Movement. Earlier the same day PEDRO BISSONETTE and some women and children went into the Superintendent's Office at the BIA Building in Pine Ridge and made many complaints about DICK WILSON.

On February 20 or 21, 1973, RUSSELL MEANS arrived in Pine Ridge. On February 22, 1973, numerous Indians appeared at the council meeting for the Oglala Sioux in an effort to impeach DICK WILSON. These were all local Pine Ridge people.

On February 23, 1973, RUSSELL MEANS with approximately 25 - 30 outside AIM people, at that time unidentified, showed up at the council meeting. At the time DICK WILSON was given a vote of confidence.

advised that around 6:00 a.m. on February 27, 1973, he left Pine Ridge on a trial subpoena and was called that night and advised that AIM people had taken over Wounded Knee.

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advised that who had been had attended the meeting at Calico the night that wounded whee was taken over and that he could probably provide additional information as to the nature of the meeting.

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EUGENE GRUHLKE, Sheriff, Minnehaha County, Sioux Falls, South Dakota, furnished the following list of persons who have visited RUSSELL MEANS since he has been a Federal Prisoner and lodged in the Minnehaha County Jail.

He also furnished a list of the following telephone calls and telegrams received for him and a list containing the identity of persons writing letters to MEANS:

VISITORS May 1, 1973, Attorney, Chamberlain, South Dakota Lutheran Social Services May 3, 1973 May 4, 1973 Attorney in care of University of May 5, 1973 Oklahoma May 6, 1973 May 9, 1973 May 11, 1973 May 13, 1973 May 14, 1973 RAMON ROUBIDEAUX May 15, 1973 MEANS! Mother RAMON ROUBIDEAUX RAMON ROUBIDEAUX May 21, 1973 5/29/73 ot Sioux Falls, South Dakota File # MP 70-6882 Interviewed on sks

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May 25, 1973 RAMON ROUBIDEAUX

May 26, 1973 RAMON ROUBIDEAUX

By Court Order dated May 16, 1973,
was allowed to visit as MEAN Visits were made
May 16, 17, 21, and 22, 1973. She claims she is in care
of the University of Oklahoma;

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CALLS AND TELEGRAMS

May	1,	1973	Made call to 8:25 a.m. to
	•		Received call 11:40 from
	•		Received call 11:40 from
			12:15 p.m. Attorney, Rapid City,
*		•	Received telegram from
Мау	2,	1973	or Oklanoma to
· -		•	Received call Chamberlain.
May	3,	1973	Received call
May	5 _£	1973	Received call
May	7,	1.973	New York, New York,
	• •		She swore she was RUSSELL's
May	8,	1973	(Town House Motel where stayed number

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May 9, 1973

May 11, 1973

May 12, 1973 Received telegram

AIM, Los Angeles.

May 21, 1973 Call from ROUBIDEAUX.

LETTERS

	am manage by an analysis of the state of the
April 3, 1973	California
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	California,
May 2, 1973	RUSSELL MEANS from
May 3, 1973	RUSSELL MEANS from
May 4, 1973	RUSSELL MEANS from Troy High School, Detroit, Michigan).
May 6, 1973	RUSSELL MEANS from Dr. L.A. AIM, Los Angeles, California
May 7, 1973	RUSSELL MEANS from

RUSSELL MEANS from The Record, 150 River Street, Hachensack, New York.

Arizona.

May	8, 1973	RUSSELL MEANS from
May	9, 1973	RUSSELL MEANS from New York.
•		RUSSELL MEANS from Attorney at Law - Telegram.
May	10, 1973	RUSSELL MEANS from
	· . [RUSSELL MEANS from (The Record), New Jersey.
May	12, 1973	RUSSELL MEANS from Los Angeles . AIM - Western Union telegram.
•	[RUSSELL MEANS from New Jersey.
May	14, 1973 [South Dakota, Jefferson Cottage.
May	15, 1973	RUSSELL MEANS from Post Card, Aberdeen, South Dakota.
May	17, 1973	RUSSELL MEANS from South Dakota.
· · ·		RUSSELL MEANS from The Record, New Jersey.
May	19, 1973	RUSSELL MEANS from Iowa 51541.
May	23, 1973	RUSSELL MEANS from Mrs.
	٠	England.
May	24, 1973	RUSSELL MEANS from New York.
Мау	25, 1973	Letter from Indiana.

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	Mrs. Bureau of Indian
A	Affairs (BIA) Police Department was
3	interviewed and advised the following:
	Mrs. said she went to Wounded Knee South
Γ	Mrs. said she went to Wounded Knee, South Dakota on the evening on March 10, 1973, to take her daughters
t	to the dance being held there While at the dance she
·8 · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	talked to a whose name
-	may be Mrs. Who told her that Mrs.
·	and other family members, earlier in the evening, had tried
. · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	to talk of going to the dance.
i	insisted on going despite objections that he was White
· a	and things in Wounded Knee would be difficult enough.
	According to Mrs. had been drinking heavily
	most of the day and was considered drunk.
	Mrs said she first saw when he
W	was brought into the dance by several Indian men described :
C	only as American Indian Movement (AIM) members. She said
· <u> </u>	thev
	nurch. She said one of the cars possibly belonging to
	EONARD CROW DOG. She said did not appear burt
•	Irs said the ALM people became wild due to
	presence,
	She said she and her
	daughters went to Wounded Knee because the Government
, а	and AIM roadblocks were removed. She thought the
0	occupation was over. She said RUSSELL MEANS, who had
· · · ·	that and thereafter ordered the
^ •	AIM roadblocks re-estublished. She said as the roadblocks "
W	were being replaced she and her daughters left.
	Mrs. said she does not recall exactly
	who and is certain she would be unable
	to identify them except that they were probably AIM
m	members. She said there were too many people at the
$\dot{\alpha}$	dance and she really never paid close attention to
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and his dilemna. She said she did not recall being injured to any extent except that he was -μe salo sne does not recall seeing she has described. She described excent for what

> Sex Race Age Height Build Hair Other

Male White 35-40 At least 6' Large Dark From Colorado

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AT RICHMOND, VIRGINIA

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On July 11, 1973, Mr.

Mosque Theater, advised the Student Government Association of Virginia Commonwealth University has scheduled RUSSELL CHARLES MEANS for a personal appearance at Richmond, Virginia, on September 24, 1973.

AT SIOUX FALLS, SOUTH DAKOTA

On July 17, 1973, Assistant United States Attorney RICHARD D. HURD, District of South Dakota, advised the following are modified bond restrictions for MEANS regarding travel restrictions:

- 1. Defendant is required to file an itinerary of his proposed travel.
- 2. The itinerary shall be filed once every two weeks with Chief Judge NICHOL, the Clerk of Courts, and the United States Attorney's Office.
- 3. Defendant will obey all laws, local, state, and Federal.
- 4. The itinerary is subject to disapproval of the Court after it has been filed.

Mr. HURD further advised this in no way modifies any other amounts of the previous bonds previously set.

AT RAPID CITY, SOUTH DAKOTA

On July 27, 1973, Mrs.

the United States District Court, District of South Dakota, advised MEANS is continued on \$50,000 bond with regards to the indictments filed in the District of South Dakota, with a trial date pending but not yet scheduled by Judge NICHOL.

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A review of the evidence (70-6832-1B-126), seized at Wounded Knee, South Dakota on May 8, 1973, was conducted at the National Guard Armory, Rapid City. South Dakota. A notebook allegedly belonging to was examined and copy of pertinent material is attached.	· -
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South Dakota on May 8, 1973 was conducted at the National
Guard Armory, Rapid City, South Dakota. A black book
entitled "Daily 1973 Appointments" was examined and an
American Indian Movement membership identification card
in the name of was located in the book.
Xerox copies of pertinent material in the book is attached.

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Memorandum

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subjec	RUSSELL MEANS EM - AIA	
	On 7/21/73, at approximately 7:45 PM, Mr. Canyon Lake Guest Ranch, Chapel Lane and Canyon Lake Drive. Rapid City. South Dakota, came to SA and advised him that two females just registered at the motel.	
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THE SIOUX SUN DANCE CRAZY HORSE MEMORIAL CUSTER, SOUTH DAKOTA AUGUST 3 - 11, 1973 EM - AIA OO: Minneapolis

Communication Center of South Dakota, made available to the writer the attached xeroxed copy of current news releases of DENNIS BANKS and RUSSELL MEANS which was released to public news sources on 7/25/73 by the American Indian Movement.

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U.S. WESTERN NATIONAL OFFICE

419 VAN NUYS BOULEVARD

SUITE 201

SHERMAN OAKS, CALIFORNIA 91403

July 25th, 1973

Communication No. 1

For Irrodiate Release:

On July 24th, 1973, a final attempt was made to destroy the most sacred of all Indian religious events: The Sun Dance. This act came in 8 parts.

- 1. Because most Sundancers are directly or indirectly connected to AIM,

 The Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) presented a false and incriminating report to law enforcement and state officials of activities
 on the American Indian Movement. This report stated that they had
 tracked convoys of trucks bearing arms to the Sun Dance area. The
 FBI further stated that they observed the trucks being unloaded and
 witnessed explosive elements.
- 2. The FBI has hosted three meetings at Crazy Horse Monument to coerce city, county and state law enforcement officials into a campaign of harrassment, jailing, beatings and brutality against American Indians. Attending these meetings were also 2 Sccret Service agents, 1 representative of the Governor's office, numerous Highway Patrol officials and DCI agents. One meeting was attended by the Mayor of Custer, Gene Reese. For some unknown reasons the sheriff of Custer County, Ernie Pepin was not present. This coalition will hereafter be codenamed 'The Executors.'

- 3. The Executors then went to the Governor of South Dakota and prepared the groundwork to commit mass murder.
- 4. On July 23rd a meeting was held in Rapid City, So. Dak. with the Executors and Governor Kniep. This meeting resulted in a decision to cancel the sacred Sun Dance. Hoping to gain the confidence of Chief Fools Crow the Executors prepared a statement that would appear to have been prepared by Chief Fools Crow. This statement called for the Chief to condemn AIM and cancel the Sun Dance.
- on July 24th 1973, the Executors called their 4th and final meeting at Crazy Horse Mountain. Invited to this meeting was Chief Fools Crow and Mathew King. At this meeting Chief Fools Crow and Mathew King were presented with the false report and introduced the Governor's Aide, who concurred that the Sun Dance be cancelled. The Chief and King were also presented with the prepared statement which was ready for their signature. Prior to the meeting the Sheriffs of Custer and Pennington Counties abtained court orders to evict and transfer by state buses all Indians from Crazy Horse Mountain. This eviction was ok'd by the owner of Crazy Horse Mountain.
- 6. It was at this point that the great hoax began to unravel.
 - A. Chief Fools Crow became outraged over the 'prepared statement' that he was to sign.
 - B. Chief Fools Crow condemned the Executors and demanded to know if Kniep was in fact greater than God Himself to cancel the sacred Sun Dance.

- 7. Chief Fools Crow and Mathew King realizing the highly immoral deed demanded that their names be stricken from the 'prepared statement'. Speaking in Sioux language Fools Crow damned the Executors and left.
- 8. The Executors then called the Telephone Company of Rapid City and ordered the telephone of the Sun Dance number be cut off.

It was ironic that a 'special' grand jury is being called to consider other charges from the February 6th Custer incident.

another phase was also put into effect on July 23rd 1973. When an FBI agent called Alli's Chief Legal Counsel Ramon Roubideaux to alert Dennis Banks that his life was in danger.

It appears now that Government and State Law Enforcement elements are laying the blueprint for an act that will result in mass execution. The Indian and non-Indian public should respond immediately to what we believe can only result in total Civil War.

We further appeal to every citizen in South Dakota, the United States, with special reference to Governor Knicp that he reevaluate, re-examine, and re-study those decisions which have been made for him by men and women whose only interest is to commit mortal sin.

For Immediate Release:

(After meeting and concurring with Chief Fools Crow & Mathiew King)

The Sun Dance of the Lakota People is as old as the Sacred Pipe. The Sun Dance originated in the Sacred Paha Sapa. It has always been holy and peaceful.

No one, especially an American Indian, ever asks the Catholic Church, the Episcopal Church, the Lutheran Church or the Mormon Church for assurances that their religious services will be peaceful. We have not asked these Churches to sign any agreement that will restrict travel, use of alcohol or firearms by their congregations.

We have been insulted, degraded and demeaned in our attempt to practice our traditional way of worship.

First, the Justice Dept., the B.I.A. and its puppet tribal government prevented our religion from being practiced on our own reservation. And now, the Federal Bureau of Investigation and the State Government of South Dakota, through their highest official, Governor Richard Kneip, are preventing the Traditional

Lakota People from worshipping in our way in our Sacred Paha Sapa which is guaranteed to remain ours forever by the Treaty of 1868.

It is evident the F.B.I. of the United States of America in concert with the Governor and State of South Dakota are continuing their genocidal warfare against the American Indian by first, denying us our sovereignty and herding us unto reservations; secondly, denying us our Treaty and Civil Rights (the reason for Wounded Knee.); and now denying us our right to practice and worship in our Traditional way in our own land!

The governments of the white man have now come full circle in their attempt to eradicate the Red Man from the face of our sacred Mother Earth. Their policies of the last two centuries have not changed in this century; it is only a bit more refined.

Custer, Wounded Knee and now Crazy Horse Mountain stand as examples of the genocide the Red Man endures in this, his own country.

Examples:

- 1. The F.B.I. has lied to the law enforcement agencies of South Dakota and to Korczak Ziolkowski by fabricating a story that weapons had been transported to and stockpiled in the camp constructing the Sun Dance grounds.
- 2. The F.B.I. and State law enforcement agencies in conjunction with the John Birch Society are guilty of spreading rumors, detrimental to the Sun Dance People, and in effect causing widespread paranoia among non-Indians in the Black Hills area. Therefore, creating further racial hatred in an already prejudiced area.
- 3. The Northwestern Bell Telephone Co. simultaneously with the cancelation of the Sun Dance, shut off the communications phone at the Sun Dance coordinating office.
- 4. The coordinating office, which is a HUD trailer is now being closed down and the occupants threatened with eviction. Contrary to the contract which is good until September.

- 5. The use of two of our Elderly People at a press conference in an attempt to make it appear there is disagreement between Traditional People and A.I.M. is another easily recognized whiteman's strategy of divide and conquer.
- 6. The blatant attempt, through the news media, to make it appear A.I.M. is trying to use our Sacred Sun Dance as a tool for confrontation is the most insulting indignity ever placed upon us. We are a reverent people who respect our elders and our religion even though the whiteman does not.

In conclusion I must refer to the Watergate Hearings in the U.S. Capital where John Dean III testified that the C.I.A., F.B.I. and the Justice Dept. have been bugging, harrassing and attempting to create situations whereby A.I.M. leaders can be persecuted and prosecuted ever since the B.I.A. occupation last November. In fact, John Dean testified that the White House paranoia about adverse dissidents since November increased and is evident in Indian country.

At this point I must inform you that regardless of the Watergate and Pentagon Papers Trial the F.B.I. and C.I.A. harrassment of Indian dissidents has increased illegally: America has to wake up some day to the fact that Big Brother (U.S. Government) continues to suppress those that choose to disagree and those that attempt to assert their civil and Treaty Rights and now our right to worship.

Let the Federal and State governments take notice: At no time now or while a single Red Man draws a breath in this world will we allow any longer those forces of prejudice and genocide to dictate to the sovereign people of this land.

We have moved the Sun Dance to Crow Dog's Paradise on the Rosebud Sioux Reservation and will convene and conclude our Treaty Council Meeting there. Immediately after we, the Traditional People of North America will caravan to the Sacred Paha Sapa to sightsee and rever our Hills. Our two main points of interest will be to stop at Crazy Horse Mountain and then to proceed to Custer, S.D. to view the Grand Jury proceedings August 14, 1973 which will review our treaty right to evict trespassers.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
Omaha, Nebraska
July 27, 1973

RUSSELL C. MEANS

Gering, Nebraska, on May 22, 1973, advised that with the assistance of the United States Marshal's Office for the District of South Dakota, Means will be brought to Gering, Nebraska, on May 23, 1973, for the purpose of his being arraigned in Scotts Bluff County Court. His arraignment was to be on charges outstanding against him in Scotts Bluff County that arose from the American Indian Movement (AIM) led demonstration in Scottsbluff-Gering, Nebraska, in January, 1973.

During the past two years, the American Indian Movement (AIM) organization has participated in confrontation and takeover. of buildings as a result of issues affecting American Indians. AIM was one of the primary organizers in the "Trail of Broken Treaties," which resulted in the Indian occupation of the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) building in Washington, D. C. AIM members provided the primary leadership for the confrontations between Indians and local authorities at Custer, South Dakota, which resulted in the burning of the Court House and Chamber of Commerce buildings. On February 27, 1973, approximately 200 AIM members and supporters entered and took over the town of Wounded Knee, on the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation, South Dakota. These dissident Indians burglarized a trading post, obtaining firearms and ammunition. In the ensuing days they fortified their positions by making bunkers and confronted Federal officers in an armed standoff.

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Ee Omaha airtel to Bureau 1/24/73, captioned "American Indian Movement (AIM), EM - American Indian Activities;" and LHM submitted to the Bureau captioned, "American Indian Movement (AIM) Demonstration at Scottsbluff, Rebraska, 1/13-23/73."

Enclosed herewith to the Bureau are nine copies of an LHM propared by the Omaha Office to bring the status of prosecutive action involving Means in Scotts Bluff County, Rebraska, up to date. Two copies of the LHM are being designated for Minneapolis.

For the information of the	e Bureau and Minneapolis,
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SAC, MINNEAPOLIS (157-2895)

August 6, 1973

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SIOUX SUN DANCE CROW DOG RANCH ROSEBUD INDIAN RESERVATION ROSEBUD, SOUTH DAKOTA AUGUST 3 - 12, 1973

Reference :	nemorandum o	f Special	Azent	
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On instant date, telephonically contacted the writer and advised that he had just arrived in Rapid City, South Daketa, and was going to the bloumded Knee Legal Offense/Defense Office to attempt to gain transportation to the Sun Dance. He stated if he was unable to get a ride from persons there, he would probably take a bus and probably go via Valentine, Nebraska. Source advised he would probably not be able to contact Agents during the Sun Dence due to lack of communication facilities at Crow Dog Paradise, but if anything of an emergency nature occurred, he would attempt to contact Agents as soon as possible. Source added that a caravan which is to tour the Black Hills after the sum dance on August 14, 1973, is to be unarmed.

During meetings at Cheyenne - Eagle Butte Indian Reservation, Jame 29 - 31, 1973, members of the American Indian Movement disucssed the fate of DICK WILSON and it was decided he was not to be a target of assination because they do not want him to become a martyr. When this was decided, RUSSELL MEANS was there, but source does not believe RUSSELL MEANS made this statement.

Source was again advised of the Command Post telephone numbers of 342-0387 and 342-0388 and that those numbers were membed 24 hours a day.

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Memorandum

TO SAC, MINNEAPOLIS (157-2962) DATE: 8/3/73

FROM SA

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SUBJECT: AIM NATIONAL CONVENTION
WHITE OAK, OKLAHOMA
7/25/73 - 8/5/73
EM - AIA

On 7/30/73, SAs

and ROBERT E. LEE, JR. personally observed the following individuals at the Rapid City Regional Airport while conducting normal liaison contacts with Rapid City Police Department,

RUSSELL MEANS
LEONARD CROW DOG
DENNIS BANKS
RON PETITT
CLYDE BELLECOURT
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Also, the following unidentified individuals described as follows:

Unsub One

White, male American, 6'3", 160 pounds, slim build, black hair (mod), black beard (full).

Unsub Two

White, male American, 5'8", 165 pounds, age about 20, medium build, sandy hair.

Unsub Three

White, female American, 5', 90 pounds, brown hair (curly), complexion fair, age early 20's.

Unsub Four

White, female American, 5'8", 160 pounds, brown hair (long and straight), characteristics protruding front teeth and wearing overalls.

Unsub Five

Indian, female American, 5'1", 100 pounds, black hair (long and straight).

Unsub Six

Indian, female American, 5'3", 170 pounds, black hair, characteristics round face.

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Unsub Seven

Indian child, age approximately 4

On 7/30/73,

Frontier Airlines, advised that

RUSSELL MEANS, LEONARD CROW DOG, RON PETITT. DENNIS BANKS,

CLYDE BELLECOURT, RAMON ROUBIDEAUX and had

flight reservations to depart Rapid City on 7/30/73

aboard Frontier Flight 95 at 12:20 p.m. en route to

Denver, Colorado. Flight itinerary was to continue from

Denver aboard Continental Flight 230 to depart Denver

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at 2:20 p.m. and arrive at Tulsa, Oklahoma at 4:30 p.m., 7/30/73. Reservations also included who did not board Frontier Flight 95 leaving Rapid City.
continued to advise that all, with exceptions of and CLYDE BELLECOURT,

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PEDRO BISSONETTE and the other aforementioned unidentified individuals were not observed to board Frontier Flight 95 departing Rapid City on 7/30/73.

On 7/30/73, an attempt was made to identify the above unidentified individuals by using the existing photograph albums at Rapid City, which met with negative results.

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On instant date, source telephonically contacted writer, wherein he stated that he was calling from Mission, South Dakota, as he had just left LEONARD CROW DOG's place where he was attending the Sioux San Dance Ceremony.

Source advised that the following leaders of the American Indian Movement (AIM) have been present at the Sun Dance Ceremony:

DENNIS BANKS
RUSSELL MEANS
PEDRO BISSONETTE
CLYDE BELLECOURT
LEONARD CROW DOG
STANLEY HOLDER

Subject's observations are that the AIM leaders are in complete control of the Sun Dance Ceremony.

Source advised that the Sun Dance Ceremony was scheduled to end on Wednesday, August 8, 1973.

Source is leaving the Sun Dance Ceremony on instant date en route to Rapid City, South Dakota.

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CI stated to his knowledge MEANS and BANKS are thinking "eye to eye" and that their thinking parallels with the thinking of RAMON ROUBIDEAUX, but that there is little doubt in source's mind who actually makes most major decisions inasmuch as MEANS and BANKS tend to heavily rely upon the opinion of ROUBIDEAUX.

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: DIRECTOR, FBI

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Los Angeles 00:

Re Los Angeles letter and Letterhead Memorandum, dated 6/28/73.

Enclosed herewith for the Bureau are five copies of a Letterhead Memorandum (LHM) concerning captioned individual. One copy of this LHM is being furnished to - Minneapolis in view of their investigative interest in this matter. No copies of this LHM are being designated for United States Secret Service in that information contained therein does not fall within the investigative purview of United States Secret Service.

No further investigation regarding is foreseen and Los Angeles is placing this matter in a closed status.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
Los Angeles, California
August 2, 1973

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has been identified as being involved in activities of the American Indian Movement (AIM). Since January 1973, AIM has been actively involved in demonstrations and violent confrontations with local authorities in Scottsbluff. Nebraska and in the Rapid City and Custer areas of South Dakota. From February 27, 1973 through May 8, 1973, AIM leaders and members along with their supporters occupied communities at Wounded Knee, South Dakota by force of arms taking a number of community residents as hostages.

Before surrendering to Federal authorities, they engaged in numerous violent and destructive acts, and gunfire was exchanged with Federal authorities resulting in the death of two of the insurgents.

American Indian Movement (AIM) is a militant American Indian group with chapters throughout the United States.

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three colors two of which were green and yellow.
described as needing a shave and baving long heavy
sidehurns. His hair was long and dirty. also saw
wearing a leather vest in the daytime with a long
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stated he saw several red flags lying on
the floor of the command post while he was there on
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b6 b7C THREE DAYS IN HELL.

By

Joseph V. Alletto

Copywrited April 4 1973

It was a wet snowy king of morning, when we arrived at Wounded Knee, So. Dekota. Sunday March the 25th 1973. Mr. Forester, our driver for this trip, brought his car to a halt infront of the trading post in Wounded Knee. John Forester and his wife, by the way are a young couple from one of the churches in Rapid City who were good enoughto give us the lift the houndred or so miles from Rapid City to Wounded Knee. When we arrived the day before we were told that it was impossable to rent any kind of vehicle if you were going in the vivinity of Pine Ridge or Wounded Knee. So, Dr. Clark, my producer for this trip, made some phone call's and was able to get a young couple from one of the churches to drive us out to Wounded Knee These people, having been there a few weeks ago with a church group that brought food and clothing to the people in Wounded . Knee were familiar with the area and therefore were a great help to Dr. Clark and myself, As soon as we disembarked from the car, several of the armed men of Wounded Knee came toughs us. We were immediately asked where we were from and who we represented. Dr. Clark explainned that we were from LosAngeles California and that we represented K.T.T.V. Metromedia. Upon checking our credentials they told us we could remove our equiment from the car.

The Foresters gave me a hand with the equiment, While Dr. Clark went to check to inquire if a press conference was to be held that afternoon. He returned quickly to inform us that a press conference was to begin with several minutes. We then quickly followed his lead into the trading post.

As we came into the post I saw the remains of what had formaily been the indians super-market. All the counters and refergeration was pushed up againest the wall of the building which then gave it the apperance of a large hall.

I quickly set to work seting up my camera equiment to film the press conference. The Foresters, were very helpful in helping me accomplishing this task. But we learned quickly that when the leadership of AIM sets a time for anything you can rest asure that it will begin two to three hours later then anounced.

Dr. Clark not wanting to waste time quickly set up an Ifoner Crowloge, the medicen man of the Oglala Souix Nation. So for the first hour we were in Wounded Knee we filmed an interview with Lenared Crowloge. I found this man to be gentle and peace loving man. This man in my estimation deplored violence. He spoke of the spiritual movement to fulfill the prophesy of the Great Siting Bull, who was the spiritual leader of all the Souix Nations a houndred years ago.

For it was he, who prophisied to one houndred years after the last battle with the white man was fought. The American Indian would rise again and take their rightfull place in American Society. The last battle was fought here at Wounded Knee in 1890. We ended the interview on this note and returned to the hall to cover the press conference.

After we returned to the hall I quickly set up my lights and camera equiement to film the press conference. Within minutes Dennis Banks came into the hall, followed by Rusell Means and Clyde Belecort. Ramon Bessonitte was not present if he was I did not see him. Means and Bellecort stood to the rear of the room as Banks made his anouncements to the prece.

Banks statements sounded liked he had repeated them meny time before. He then went on to read some telegrams from people in several parts of the world who sent money to the mamorial fund, or incouragement. When asked specific questions in reference to nogociation, he stated no negociation will be held until the government met several demands of AIMS. He said they were low on food and ammunitions but that they were prepared to hold out to the last man. Upon finishing his statement he stocked out of the hall, with Means and Bellecort following.

As I watch this man in action, he reminded me of the late Che Guaverria with his rhetoric and style of speaking. Banks is well versed I would say on the teaching of Mao.

For the next hour along with the other members of the press.

We were taken on the grand tour of the camp, showing us among other thing, tite their hospitial which was minemul and the store room which had a few large cans of beans and nothing more. But I noticed a day later when I was taken pass the some store room after several car loads of food arrived, nothing was added to the shelves.

After we finished with the grand tour of the camp we returned to the hall. Beliving that we were finished filming for the day I started to place the equiment back into the cases. At which time Dr. Clark came over to us, to inform us we were to be arrested by the security division of Aim, I told him he was being rediclous. But I soon found out he was telling the truth. For as we were just closeing the cases to the equiment. Some armed men came into the room and walked directly over to us and asked that we fellow them. At this point I did not protest for I was looking down the barrel of a sawed off shot gun and several different types of military weapons. We were told by one of the armed people to pick up our gear and follow. We did so, The Foresters who having left there small children in the care of a baby sitter reacted quickly for I could see the fear in their faces as we picked the gear and followed. the armed men.

They took us to a building at the far end of the trading post, which I soon learned was there war room and camand post. At one time this building servied as the muezeam of the Oglalar Souix Nation. But as we came into the room I was quick to notic that their were no art effects left and if there were they were distroyed or tossed aside into a corner of the room like so much garbage.

Our gards told us to take the seats behind the three desks that were in the room and be quite. They informed us that the man in charge well be in to talk to us shortly. As we waited, I observed these men and can tell you I would hate to met any of then on any street in the nation. For they all looked like a bunch of cut-throats and nothing more. They were well armed and very belligerent, in fact they constantly waved their weapons under our noses to frighten us, making jokes about it as they did so. Fifteen minutes or so went by before Dennis Banks came into the room. He is my impression of mister warmth, there wasn't one word in his vocabulary that said he was a nice guy. He was quick to inform us we were under arrest and that " we were going to have to stay at Wounded Knee until he could check us out. I informed Mr. Banks, authoritys and our company knew of our whear abouts, and that by detaining us he was committing kednapping which is a federal offense. He just laughed this off and told me to shute my mouth or he'll have it shoute for me.

So I sat down and quietly listened to what he had to say. At this point he became belligerent at Dr. Clark for it seams ... as I was to learn at that time that Dr. Clark was well aquaented with Dennis Banks and the whole aim organization. From what I gathered from their conversation, Dr. Clark was with AIM when they staged the riots in Washington D.C. at the Beauro of Indian some time earlyer in the year. They argued for a while after which he turned to the Foresters and myself and asked how will we knew Dr. Clark. I answered that my association with Dr. Clark, was that of three days and that I was employed by him to come to Wounded Knee and film the events that were happening there and nothing more. As for the Foresters, I told him that they were local church people from Rapid City who were good enough to give us a ride out here becouse it was all but impossable to rent a vichilic in the city to transport our equiment out to Wounded Knee. Banks asked Clark if this was true and he replied in the affirmative. Banks then told the Foresters and myself that we could go but that Dr. Clark was staying behind. At this point the Foresters and my self got up to leave. I being the cameramen was responsable for the equiment I went over to retrive the equiment to take it back to Los Angeles with me. Banks informed me that the equiment wasn't in fact going anywhere. I tryed to explan that I being the cameramen was responsable for all the camera equiment, and had to see to it that it got back to Metromedia in LosAngeles. -11He belligerent told me to leave it, upon seeing some of his new moveing in my direction, I gave up on the idia. At this time Dr. Clark handed me a list of names and numbers on a slip of paper and told me to contac these people when I got to Rapid City to notify them of his situation. As I was about to leave the note in my shirt pocket one of Banks men came charging at me and removed the note from me forciably. I didn't make a move againest this man for his sawed off shot gun was pointed under my chin while he stood their and read the note. He then handed the note to Banks and moctioned me to take a seat. I did so with out protest of any kind for I knew that this little man with the shot gun meant business. Where upon Banks told == the Foresters to go and that I was to stay also. I thanked the Foresters before they left and apolagised for the situation. Dr. Clark just sat there quietly. After the Foresters were gone, Banks became very belligerent with Dr. Clark, for he wanted to know what Clark had done with the moneys from the sale and disstrebution of the films of the B.I.A. Riots in Washington. Clark answered that no recipts were recived as of yet from the sale or distribution of the riot films left in his keeping. Banks not likeing the answer threatened Clark, at which time Clark told him to check with Vern Bellecort, Clyd Bellecorts brother. Vern Bellecort is the actual head of AIM. Banks said he would and that his lawyer Mr. Bubedioux was due in that .-12evening and that he better explain it to him, Clark said he would, but at the same time interjected that Rubedioux was awear

of what was going on in there film division which from what I gathered from there conversation, Dr. Clark was in fact a partner in the AIM'S film company. Upon learning this I started to breath easier thinking that Clark will get me out of this situation. Banks then turned towards me and gove a very disheartening look.

At this point the little man with the sawed off shot gun said to Banks that he didn't think I was a cameramen and that he thought I was a federal agent sent into Wounded Knee to spy. For he claimed that one of the other Indians in their group was watching me closely while I was filming and said that he thought I wasn't a regular cameramen. Banks at this point asked me point blank if I was a cameraman. I said no that I was basically a writer, but that I have used this type of photographic equipment before and that it was not hard to use through I said it had been some time since I've used such equipment. By the expression on his face I knew he didn't by my story. He turned to the little blonde man again and told him to keep a sharp eye on me and left the room.

Once he was gone I asked Clark why he didn't tell him that he had infacted employed me as his cameraman in LosAngeles. He told me to cool it and that he will take care of things later that evening when Roubedioux arrived. When I made the inquiry about our press passes expiring he told me not to worry that the lawyer will take care of it. So believing that

what he said was true I sat back in my chair and smoked a cigarette to wait out the arrival of Roubedioux the lawyer for AIM.

Arround ten that evening Roubedioux arrived with six other attorneys with him all of which were appointed by the Federal Court to act as counsel for the people at Wounded Knee. When things were ready to begin Banks sent for Clark and myself. To my suprise he also had his pople carry over our equipment.

Once in the hall one of Banks men told me to set up my equipment while Clark was to go with Banks and Roubedioux to a meeting. I did as I was told for at this time, a man who looked like the Iceman Comeith was assigned to gard me. This was scarface and for the next two days this man was to be my constant companion. From the very beginning I got the feeling that scarface was just itching to cut my throat, for he was ome of the few who didn't carry a gun but preferred the Bowie Knife that hung to his side and I wasn't about to find out if he was good with it. So I set up my equipment nice and quiet like and waited for Banks, Clark and Roubedioux to return from their meeting. The other attorneys that came with Poubedioux were walking around talking to people and answering questions for some of the men-who seemed to be very concerned about their own situations // About midnight they entered the hall. Clark came over to me and said everything is taken care of and for me not to be ready to start filming in the next few minutes.

Russel Means and Clyde Bellecort were standing by the conference table talking to Banks and Roubedioux. After a few minutes the leaders of the Oglala Nation came in which of course were led by Pedro Bessonitteand Lenard Crowdoge the medicine man. Within one minute everyone was in his seat. Banks had one of the elders of the Oglala's say a prayer befor the meeting got on the way.

Banks at this time stood up and introduced the attorneys who arrivied with Roubedioux, this he did with little fanfare. He then like a true Maoiest went into his hetoric of what the government is going to have to do before there is any tald of peace, upon which time he gave his written .list of demands to Roubedioux his attorney. This of course was followed with a lot of whooping and hollering by the people in the hall, which I mit add numbered not more then one-houndred and twenty five and that is high figure. The joke of it all is that the mojority of people are teenagers who were having and I quoto. "An Indian Love In."

After the hall quieted down once again, Roubedioux talked to the audience. He stated for all the men that were either on State or Federal Paroles that he and his asocciates will see to it that they all recive an impartial hearings before their respective parol boards. (As. a point of note, a large number of the armed men at Wounded Knee are on either State or Federal Parols.) It took all of an hour to answer all the questions put to the attorneys, at which time called the meeting

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to its close.

At this time scarface walked over to Banks who, from what I could gather, was discussing my status in the community. Clark gave me a hand packing up the camera equipment and then took the cans of film out of the box and placed them in his over night bage.

At this time scarface came over and took the film from Clark opened the cans to look into them exposeing the film to the light. This of course destroyed what ever we might had on film for the day. Clark ancuss to leave Wounded Knee, none-theless told Banks he was taking the film on the pretence that he was going to try and salvage what ever he can. He omitted to include the two can's of film he already had hiden in his bage of the interview with Lenard Crowdoge the medicine man.

After a few minutes of converstion with Banks, Banks gave in and let Clark have the film. At which time placed all the film in his bage and went to join the attorneys to leave for Rapid City. I was able to catch him out side the building to inquire as to what time he was to be back in the morning and to clear my press pass with the B.I.A. He said the Aims lawyers will see to it that my press pass is exstended and that he would return in the morning by eleven in the morning with new film.

I then returned to the hall to finish packing the camera equipment and take it over to the security building were I was told is the best place to leave it by one of the aims people. Scarface and I with the help of a few mem carried the equipment back to the security building. As I was about to leave the building, Banks came into the room amd informed me that Clark wasn't coming back in the morning. I told him the he, Clark assuried me that he would be back by eleven the following morning. Banks then infromed me that I was in lou of Clarks return and that he still was not sure at to the fact that I'm a federal spy. At the time this converstion was in progress one of the lawyers who came in that night with Mr. Roubedioux who satied behind for what reason I don t know. Was standing beside Banks and myself. Upon finishing my converstion with. Banks I said to him., why don't you tell this self appointed new mashir , that he cant hold me presoner. He told me he didn't want to get invalved. I replyed by tell him that as an appinted consal of the court he was bound by law to get invalved. At this time this man just walked away.

After a few minutes the little blonde man showed up with two blankets and told me to follow him, at this time he was carrying a thrity odd-six rifle with a scop. Not knowing what was to come next I hesitated but scarface came up behind me and pushed me in his direction. Realizing there was nothing else I could say or do I followed the little blonde man. They took me across the road to the old chiefs shack.

As we came into the old chirfs shack, scarface went behind the old wood stove and made a bed on the floor by placing one blanket on top of the other. The blonde man then told me to lay down on the blankets which I did with out hesitation. He then remove some tow chains that were hanging on the wall and wraped them around my ankles and fastened the chain to one of the legs of the stove, he then removed some police handchuffs from his belt and handchuffed my hands taking care that they were tight so that I couldn't get out of them. The blonde man then left me in the care of scarface who laied down on the bed that was in the shack. After a while another man showed up, he came over to me and checked my binds, made sure the front door was lock and then sat down in the chair across the way from me and staied there the rest of the night.

During the night there was sparadic gun fire, The federal marchels throughout the night returned there fire and constend ently fired flares into the sky to keep the area illuminated. Every now and then a shot would hit the building I was in and scare the living hell out of me. For there I was chained to the wood stove and no way I could move to get out of the line of fire.

So for Sunday night and all day Monday up until tuesday afternoon, I was a prisoner in every sense of the word. At times during the day light hours they would remove my chains to walk around the room to get some exserize or go to the out house, at all times I was garded by scarface. -18-

On Monday morning, I was taken over to the trading post for what reason I don't know but when we came into the hall my gard stoped to talk to one of the young women, leaving me in the room which had the press phones in it. Seeing that he was preocupied with the young women I picked up the phone. Happy to hear the dial tone I quickly dailed KTTV- Metromedia in LosAngeles and asked for Chuck Railly the head of the news department. I quickly told him of my situation and asked if he had in fact heard from Clark my producer. He informed me that he had but minutes ago sent a car to the airport to pick, up Clark. I told him that was rediculous for he was upposed to be here in Wounded Knee by eleven that morning. When I explained the situation to him, he much as told me tough but that there was nothing he could do for me and that I was on my own. I told him to drop dead and hung up. As I turned away from the phone I knew that the only way I was going to get out of this place was escape and if it meant taking one of these bastards with me so be it. For I knew they were going to kill me, as to the time and place only my maker knew. I then sat in the chair in the room contemplating all the possabilites of escape and the amount of resistance I would incounter in any given situation. My gard to my suprise turned to look around the corner the little cubicial and said to me. "Now you know how it feels to be left out in the cold." His words hit me with great impact for I was way out on a limb and didn't know were I was going to go from here.

On our way back to the shack I asked if I could use the john, my gard told me to go ahead. I walked the twenty-five feet or so by myself and when I came out he was gone or I though he was os I walked over to the N.B.C. truck with the hope of geting some asistance from there crew, but the truck was empty. As I turned away my gard was standing behind me, which in it self shock the hell out of me for I though he went back to the shack. At this time he to'd me they left for Rapid City. He then took me back to the house as we walked I asked if there was any members of the press were in Wounded Knee, he told me that there hasn't been any news men in that morning and that they didn't exspect any for he said that Dick Wilson ordered the press to stay out of Wounded Knee. So until the following day which was tuesday I staied in the shcak and saw no one but my gards and the old chief who came in periodicly. I developed a fondness for the old chief, who's name I still don't know. For he use to offer me some of the beans and bread that he would bring from the white house as they called the aims leaders quarters.

At around six or seven in the morning on Tuseday the 27th the government opened up with heavy machine gun fire and let me tell you is was hot and heavy. Bullets came ricochetting through the old shack like rain and there I was going out of my mind thinking that mybe one of the shalls that came through the building would hit me and save the aim people from cuting my throat them selfs. W

A short time afterwood the little blonde man and an indian came into the shack. One took a possion at the window while the other climbed into the raffters to fire from there. Both of these men had a thirty odd-six raifls with scops on them. That was when I learnd why the government opened up on the camp. The little said that one of the pigs got it during the night right in the chest and that this was the governments retaleation.

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As I laied there on the floor I watch the little blonde m man go through his whole neurodic act. This man would go through a whole converstion with himself as he would get a bead on a target. Discribing the person in detail who he saw through his scop and actually have a serual orgasm as he did so. For after a few minutes he turned away from the window to holler something to his friend in the rafters. At this time I noticed the front of his pants was wet and he just laugh at the sight of himself. He then returned to the window to see if he could get a bead on another target and when he did get one he start to holler at who ever it was to stand still so he could shot him. His dialogue went somthing like this. " I have your whole head pig, now stay still you sonofabitch, he moved now all I have is healf his head, hay you pig stay still, I really don't want to miss that fat head of your's! He would then fire off a round and when he saw that he missed the man, he would beat on his rifle as if it was a nority child. This went on for about an hour. The two men dissatisfied becouse they couldn't get a target, left the building in search for a better possion to fire from.

As I look around the shack there were meny bullet holes in the walls and the power lines that were connected to the building for I could see them lieing on the ground out side the door. Scarface's knife was out of its sheath and he was looking directly at me, with that exspressionless face of his, it was then I knew he was contemplating my demise. For I'm sure he was told by Dennis Banks, if the federal officers rush the camp he was to kill me on the spot. And there I was on the floor handchuffed and chained to the stove. Ironicly all I could think about was my wife Lee and my children. I felt deeply sarrey for them becouse I wasn't able to be the kind of farther I wanted to be and that': by work came first and them second. I had hoped that one day they would understand what sort of a man I really was for I trully loved them all. So as I lay there on the floor and waited for scarface to come and cut my throat, To my suprise the fireing stop just as quick as it started.

Art the other guard looked at scarface who then placed his knife back into its sheath and just sat quiet still showing no expression. Art then came over and took my chain and hand-cuffes of and told me to sit in the chair. His hands were shaking alittle as he did so, \(\frac{1}{2}\) but I don; t belive they were shaking -22-from the though of being party to a cold blooded murder or from

being stuck there with me and having no way to get out of the building to a saffer place where he could at least have an even chance to fight back.

Once I was in the chair he gave me some warmed over coffee and some bull-derm to roll a cigerett. My hands was shaking so bad I could hardly hold the sack of tobacco in my hands with o out spilling it on the floor. Art then took the tabacco and papers and rolled the cieratte for me. I drank the coffee and somked the ciggeratte as if it were my last.

As I sat back in the chair and tried to gain controll of myself, I realized that my face was wet, inknowing I was crying both from fear and happiness to know that I was still alive.

There was no exchange of gun fire the cest of the day thank goodness for every time a shot was fired either from there camp or from the federal possions scarface would look in my direction, this alone was enough to keep my nevers on edge the rest of the day.

Around four that afternoon Crowdoge the medicine man came into the shack. Upon seeing me and in the condition was in, he asked my guards what I was doing there for he said he thought. I had left the camp two days ago. With my hands shaking and finding ift hard to apeak I told him what had happened. I could see he didn't like it at all, for he said something to my two guards in there own language then hurried out of the building.

After Crowdoge, had gone I asked Art what Crowdoge had said. He told me that Crowdoge was angree, that he wanted me out of there in a hurry. I asked him if he could do it? He replied that when Crowdoge speaks they listen. Scarface did not say * a word as usual and I got the feeling that he felt disappointed for I belive Crowdoge, deprived him of the satisfaction of cuting my throat. It fact he stormed out of the shack, as Art said he was angreed by Crowdoges actions. Knowing that I was there alone with Art I breathed easyer, but I knew he prefered to be out some where ele's.

So for the rest of the day I sat and waited for Crowdoges return. At around four in the afternoon Crowdoge, came back into the shack. He told Art to get something to eat, then ask med to follow him. He took me across the road to the white house and directly into Dennis Banks bed room. At which time Banks said he was sorry for detaining me. He said he gave the order to arrest me, for as he said he needed a few days to check me out to be sure I wasn't a federal agent. I didn't by his story for one minute for I new he hadent left the camp, but was hinding there in the house and having his lawyers leak out the news that he was out geting aid for his people. I knew that the only reason he apologized was becouse of Crowdoge. It was evadent he hated to here the words come out of his mouth. Banks went as far as to offer me a possion with aim, for as he said he needed a press secratary to handel the public relations for aim.

I told him I'ed have to give it some thought. Though I Knew I would never work for him or his organization, I don't like their tactes of there people. He then told me I was free to move around the camp and that he would arrange for transportation for me through his attorney Mr. Roubedicux to get me and my equipment back to Rapid City. I said that would be fine and left the room, leaving him with Crowdoge who I belive laid the law down to Banks.

I walked across the compound to the security building to get my thirty five milameter camera and light meter then returned to the camp area. As I steped out side the building the blonde head man who earlier was shoting the high powered rifle came up to me and asked what the hell I was doing out of jail. When I told him that Banks released me, he seemed very suprised for I don; t think he belived that Banks had any intencions of releasing me. He comment that he was going to have a talk with Banks later and went on into the cammand post.

I walked to the trading post for I wanted to call LosAngeles. As I was on my way to the phone one of the young people told me the phone was out of order. He told me he's been trying to call his focks for two days to let them know that he would #== return to school in a few days. At this time I went back out into the campond for I wanted to move around and get my blood seculating again for I was stiff from being chain. As I came out to the compond all the able bodyed men were going over to

I followed the crowd of men, for I new this was my chance to get some shots of these people that no one had up to this time been able to get. Thinking it would also serve as edvidence to prove my story as to what has been actually happening here at wounded Knee. So thinking that my camera was loaded with a new roll of for it read number one on the camera meter and that I remembered that Clark told me befor he left that he had a frash roll of film in the camera. I began to take pictures of all the people around the truck, after taking twenty five shots I started up the hill to the old church for I had six more shots on the roll and I was told that Banks was there having breakfest. I throught I could use the rest of the roll geting some shots of Banks and his pals eating.

When I got to the top of the hill I was told that he in fact had left. So I started taking some shots of the people there at the church. After useing all the film in the camera I rewound the roll and opened the camera only to find that there was no film in it. At this time I felt very disheartened. Two of aims security people were on the hill, not wanting to attract attion I loaded the last roll of film which I had in my pocket all the time I was chained adn started taking land-scape shots of the area.

Later that evening while I was in the White house, lestening to the news along with an old indian women,. The news reported that an agreement was reach with the indians at Wounded Knee.

Upon hearing this the people who were siting in the ketchen came into the living room to hear the rest of the comentators report. Banks who was in his bedroom which was just off the living room came into the room and immeditly sent one of his men to finds Means and Bellecort. Banks started shoting that Basennit and Roubedioux has sold out the aims people. Banks then ordered another one his men to bring Basennet to him as soon as the little rate shows his face back in camp. This man also left in a hurry, grabing his weapon as he left. With in a few minutes Bellecort and Means were in the house. Banks told everyone to leave the house. I went over to the trading post to get some coffee. An hour or so later the news bulitin ews stating that Marlon Brando had refused his Ascar becouse of the treatment given the indians in the moction picture industry. At this time the aims leadership called a meating once again for they wanted to take full advantage of the favorable publisity given them by Brando. It was at this time they sent for me and that I film a press releas for them and that if I cooperated they would see to it that I get out of Wounded Knee that evening. I didn't buy there gift of freedom story for I knew that they had no intenctions of leting me go & living for I have seen and heard to much the last few days and I being the only news man in Wounded Knee during that intire time had knowledge of what future plans aims had in mind for the government especially if they pulling ruge out from under them after they secured a armistis.

For I have learned that no matter what happens here at Wounded Knee aims has an alturnative plan ready just in case the gover nment remigges on any of the agreements that they make there at Wounded Knee regardless if they sign it or not. For what aims has planed for the future will only make Wounded Knee with the prelude to what they have planed for the future.

Later that evening Padro Bessenette returned they came togather to iron out there differences. Between the Oglalas and the aims people. At which time they had my camera equipment sent to the trading post for me to film there press celease. After a while both faction came into the room and informed me that each was going to make a seperate statement to be film. I said OK. I asked Banks at this time to go to the podum and that as soon as he was ready I will start the camera rolling and film. It took al! of thirty seconds to film his statement. Then the Oglalas went to the podum and Pedro Bessenette made the statement for the Oglalas. he bassicly said the same thing as Banks. But I got the feeling that he was making the statement under duress. While I was filming the press release scarface was standing be hind me at all times. Knowing this I turned on the sound of the camera and not the camera but he seeing the little red light on the camera presumed that I had infact filmed there press release. Scarface at this time walked over to Banks to have a talk with him and by the expression on Banks face I was sure they were discussing mv statis in there comunity.

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While they were bussy talking. I opened the magazine of the camera and cut the film and removed the reel placed it in a plan paper bage and handed it to the magazine of the time who was to take it into be prossed.

A few minutes latter Bessannetts men came into the room, fully armed and got the drop on the aims people. At which time there was alot of shouting across the room. Sezing the opertunity that this just mit be my one chance to escape I pick up my briefcase small camera and taperecorder and as if I was going for a stroll I walked out of the building and headed up the road toughs there road block. For I belived at that time Banks had all his men from the bunkers and the road block called in by walkee talkie radio.

As I same to the top of the hill to the road block I heard some young voices. It was then I knew that I had better then a fifty chance of geting out of the area alltoghter. As I came in site of the road block one of the young men asked who goes there and I answered and came foward. The young man left in charge could not have been more then fifteen or sixteen. He asked were I was going I told him I was on my way home to L.A.

The young man who was with him had his girl friend with him, h he told me to have a good trip and went back to his girlfriend the other young man asked if I had Banked permission I told him I had and he said OK have a good trip. It took me a few monmenta to get my legs moving but once I did all I wanted to do was -29-get out of range of there shot guns. Festared-wafting=

I started walking up the road as fast as I could. Once I though I was out of range of there shot guns I started running and didn't stop until I was some distance away. As I started to slow down my chest felt like it was going to bust, I kept walking at a fast past and at the same time tried to catch my breath. I have no idia how far I ran or walked but after a time I saw a sedan parked to the side of the road I didn't see the armed personnel carrier parked behind it.

A voice from the car ordered me to halt and idenfy myself when I did the man in the car informed me that they been worried about me. I told them if they knew that I had just lived through I told him I could only say in words on paper.

But that he sure looked good to me, brother.

They quickly took me to a lounch truck were they got me some much needed food. Which concesisted of three rost beef andwiches and a cup of coffee. I eat one of the sandwiches quickly for I was so houngery that I didn't wate to put mustard on it. The F.B.I. were in a hurry to get back to there headquarters for a debriefing session so I quickly slaped some mustared on the at other two sandwiches grabed my coffee and followed them out to the car. As Joe Khorling was backing up he, hit a chug whole in the road couseing my coffee to fool to the floor of the car. I wasn't worried about the coffee folling to the floor or on me for that matter, but it was just that I needed that coffee at that moment. The other F.B.I. by the name of John, his second name I don't know, lough it off and gave me his coffee. —30-

And which I was mightee happy to recive.

When we arrived at the B.I.A. building we went directly to their offices. As we sat down Joe Khorling told me to go ahead and finish my coffee and sandwiches for he wanted to get a pad and pencial to write down my statement. I told him that my batterys were still good and that if they had some taps we could record the whole thing and they could trancrib my statement latter. John the other agent at this time dissaperaed for a few minutes and returned with a box of taps. I placed one in the recordere and in a few moment we got started.

The debriffing lasted six or seven hours with the last hour spent with the Chief Inspector of the F.B.I. and the U.S. Asst. Attorney General Kent Frezzel. It was at this time that the attorney asked my openioun of the situation at Wounded Knee and I told him if he would just egnor them they will be there own dimise, for I don't think the press or the people of the nation are buying there hogwash that they were puting out as press releases. I therefore advised the attorney general to let them die a slow public death and that when I returned to LosAngeles I was going to do all within my power to publcize the fraud that Ime is trying to sell to the american people. He asked if he could use my neme is releasing some prees releases I told him I preferred he didn't at that time for I wanted to be sure I was safe at home in L.A. before he does so. He told me he would, and that he would do at he can from his e. end to help me set my story-to the people -31For I told him I was going to sue aim and there leaders, and expose them for what they really are which is a Moaiest Type Revoluctionary group bent on couseing havic in the nation.

After a long debriefing which totally exhausted me the chief inspector of the F.B.I. took me in another room and offered me a cot to sleep on until they can arrange transportation for me to Rapid City to catch my plan for L.A.. They thanked me for my cooperation and told me that if there was anything they can do please feel free to call on them. They gave me a subpoena to testify before the Federal Grand Jury on April 9 1973. At this point all I can say is that I'm happy to be alive.

During the weekend of April 28 to May 1., I help Russel Means while he was in LosAngeles. Infact on Friday the 28 I tried to get him to the airport and on his way to South Dehota. But we were stoped by federal officers, he askedme as we were exiteding the car to stay with him and keep an eye on him. For he said he feared that sertan people in his organization were looking to kill him, for he had learned that they were ripping off there wwn people and that in time he was going to expose them and there commy budies who suplied the financial suport. He said that they were going to make him the goat for all there wrong doings. After all that has happened, I belive that Russell Means is the only honest man at the top of thesAIM movement leadership, and should be given clemincy.

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FROM	:	SA DONALD G. WILEY
		

On 8/10/73 source telephonically contacted the writer at which time he advised he had just returned home from the Sun Dance held at Crow Dog Ranch 8/3-8/73.

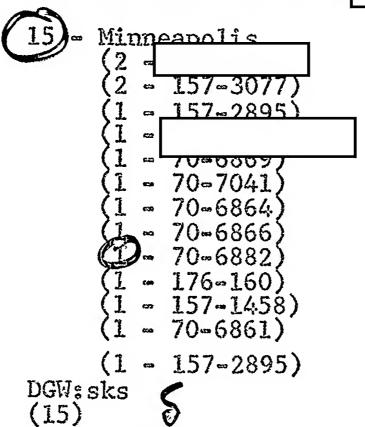
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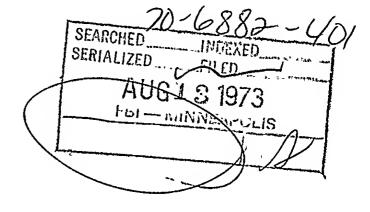
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Source advised there is still buried at Wounded Knee, South Dakota, dynamite which AIM followers buried during the Wounded Knee occupation. Source stated that he learned this from talking with AIM members who were in attendance at the Sun Dance and who buried this dynamite. Source stated AIM also has about 400 pounds of C-4 explosives buried on the Crow Dog Ranch south of the house, Rosebud, South Dakota.

Source stated that in meetings held by the AIM leaders, they made plans to go to Pierre, South Dakota, on 9/5/73 at which time they will expose the United Sioux Tribal Council (USTC) by making public some documents which AIM has gathered concerning the USTC. Source stated the leaders are trying to get about 1,000 people to gather in Pierre.

Source stated he observed a lot of guns at the Sun Dance and that has guns for sale.





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CARTER CAMP took several guns to White Oak, Oklahoma, for the National Convention and that these guns were stored at Crow Dog's Ranch. Source stated that AIM has a lot of fake guns at Rosebud and has no idea what the purpose of these fake guns is. He stated these fake guns are made out of wood, pieces of pipe, tool handles and from a distance give the appearance of a real weapon. Most of them are in form of a shotgun or rifle. Source stated it is reported that the AIM group at Rosebud have two mortar weapons and one howitzer.

Source stated that regardless what you read or hear - DENNIS BANKS is still the main leader of AIM. With BANKS is CLYDE BELLECOURT, RUSSELL MEANS, RON PETITE, and CARTER CAMP. Source advised VERNON BELLECOURT who was at CROW DOG's kept to himself, no one would talk to him and most of the AIM members feel he took money and went to the Riviera for a vacation.

Source stated he saw RAMON ROUBIDEAUX and at the Sun Dance and in meetings with AIM leadership.

Source stated the current policy of AIM is to intentionally circulate rumors of what they are going to do in order to instill fear. Source stated the leaders in their public appearance indicate to the Indians that the only thing Indians have to fear is fear itself.

According to source, the Custer, South Dakota, appearance of AIM is dwindling due to a lack of support of the membership. The membership wants to go into Custer, South Dakota, armed and the leadership does not want any one to go into Custer with firearms. DENNIS BANKS has stated to the Indian membership at the Sun Dance that if guns were needed at Custer; they would be near by and available. Source stated he does not know how close to Custer, South Dakota, these guns would be but feels that in view of all he has heard at CROW DOG's place, the guns no doubt are stored at CROW DOG's.

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Source stated the next two big meetings concerning AIM and/or followers will be 9/5/73 at Pierre, South Dakota, and then on 9/16/73 at Gallup, New Mexico. Source said some of the leaders indicate they plan to have another "Wounded Knee" in Gallup, New Mexico, however, he does not know why or what has caused the leadership to turn to Gallup and to speak of having another "Wounded Knee" there. Source stated the leadership talk among themselves is about the number of years they will have to serve in jail if convicted in Federal Court.

Source stated AIM leaders DENNIS BANKS and RON PETITE have told their lawyer group to legally harass law enforcement like law enforcement is harassing the Indians.

Source stated the leadership is not at present time willing to go along with their followers to have any confrontations in view of forthcoming trials. Along this same line, according to Source, RAMON ROUBIDEAUX is stopping a lot of the leadership from participating or formulating any confrontations or disturbances as he feels it will adversely affect trials of the leadership.

Source advised that he estimated there were at the peak of the Sun Dance about 1,800 people. He stated 21 males were pierced and ten women participated in the Sun Dance as dancers offering their "arm flesh" but the women are not pierced. Source stated there were a lot of violations committed by the Sun Dancers in that they took water, had water poured on them and cloths with ice were used to cool them. Source stated LEONARD CROW DOG, Medicine Man, was observed drinking water by Indians and reportedly lost respect of some of the Indians who saw him or heard about it.

Source advised DENNIS BANKS announced to those in attendance at the Sun Dance that a Midwest National Field Office of AIM is being opened in Des Moines, Iowa. BANKS stated RON PETITE is the National Director of that Office.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Memorandum

Mr. Joseph H. Trimbach, SAC

. FBI - 392 Fed. Bldg.

Minneapolis, Minnesota 55401

August 9, 1973

DATE:

William F. Clayton

FROM : W. S. Attorney

Fed. Bldg., Sioux Falls, S.Dak. 57102

SUBJECT:

TO

Re: U. S. v. Russell Means & Dennis Banks

Enclosed are notes on the hearing on motions in the above cases,

which hearing was held in Sioux Falls on August 6. I thought you

would like to have this for your information.

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Prom: William P. Clayron

DATE: AUGUST 6, 1973

PE: U. S. V. RUSSELL MEANS & DEPRIS BANKS

Russell Means. Clyde Bellecourt, Carter Camp. Fedro Bissonette.

Stanley Holder, Leonard Crow Dog and Dennis Banks Motion to

Consolidate their cases and join the various offenses they have
been charged with for trial. (This does not include the indictment
against Banks in regard to the Custer offenses.)

Defendants argued in view of judicial economy and also prejudice that would result from failure to join or consclidate, problems of counsel and representation, due process, speedy trial, interests of justice, effective assistance of counsel, identical indictments, that the seven leadership cases should be consolidated.

The Government argued that:

- 1. In view of the previous publicity it would tend to create a difficult situation for trial.
- 2. Jury confusion could result from 77 separate verdicts.
- 3. The matter prosecutorial discretion and the defendants have no legal interest to complain that their cases have not been joined under Rule 8(b) F.R.C.P and Rule 13 P.R.C.P.

The Court had asked for written waivers in regard to this argument because none of the defendants were personally present. The defendants filed written waivers on appearance of Means. Banks, Bissonetts and Crow Dog. They advised the Court that Holder, Bellecourt and Camp had been mailed their waivers but they had not been received.

Appearing for	the	defendants	were	
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Judge Bichol made a statement prior to hearing oral arguments that he had authority to try all of the cases, even if no recusal motion was made in regard to Judge Eogue's participation in the other cases, although that was not contested as part of the Motion for Joinder by the defendants. Judge Michol also advised defendants' counsel that another judge could be appointed to serve in those cases in the event Judge Bogue was recused. After all argument was presented on both sides, Judge Michol ruled that he would join the cases of Russell Means and Dennis Banks, including all indictments, 11 counts of each, citing as his authority, Hayes v. U.S. (8 Cir.1964)

329 P.2d 209. Be also cited U.S. v. Sanders, 461 P.2d 1086

Other lasues discussed:

1. Counsel for defendants.

Judge Nichol ruled as follows:

- (a) All motions and written showings in support of motions on behalf of either the plaintiff or defendants must be filed with the Court on or before the 6th day of September. 1973.
- (b) That on the 7th day of September, 1973, at 9:30 A.M. the Court would have a conference for the purpose of determining necessary hearing dates and other matters for the disposal of motions which might be made. That the hearing would include Motions for Discovery and Motions for Bill of Particulars.
- (c) The defendants must present to the Court on that date all evidence and information relative to the financial status of the defendants, so the Court will be in a position to make a determination whether or not they are indigent.

(d) Counsel for the defendant Russell Means will be limited to three people to represent him. Counsel for Dennis Banks will be limited to three attorneys. The names of those counsel must be presented to the Court within 15 days from August 6, 1973. By the 21st day of August, the names of all counsel for the above-named defendants, which are the seven, must be provided to the Court, who will represent the defendants at trial.

2. Evidentiary Matters

Within 15 days after the filing of written motions, the defendants will have time to present evidence in regard to any of the motions now before the Court. They are able to file their written motions and briefs and memoranda any time prior to September 6, 1973.

3. Requests for Certification of Failure to Join Defendants other than Means and Banks.

for the Court of Appeals to rule on, but suggested, in the event matters in regard to the Treaty, other decisions on motions are made, and they appear to be germaine for the Court of Appeals to decide prior to trial, he would then certify those, plus the failure to join the other five defendants with the other matters that would be germaine and may have a bearing on the length of trial, prior to the date of trial.

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TO : SAC, MINNEAPOLIS DATE:

FROM : SA

SUBJECT:

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On 8/1/73, Source was contacted and advised he would be willing to furnish information to the Bureau on a confidential basis.

Source reviewed 35 prints made of individuals who were in Wounded Knee, S.D., during the time of American Indian Movement (AIM) takeover from 2/27 - 5/8/73. These photographic prints were made from commercial TV film by the FBI Laboratory in Washington, D.C.

The photographs are numbered 1 through 35, and Source identified the following:

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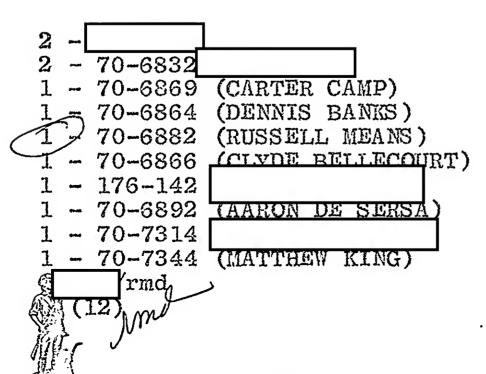
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MEETING WITH U.S. AIDES SEPT. 5

AlM Leader Means Presses Sioux Chiefs on Treaty Details

By JAMES QUINN

ROSEBUD, S.D. (UPI) - American Indian Movement (AIM) leader Russell Means told a group of traditional Sioux chiefs Thursday that a scheduled conference beween Indians and White House representatives over Indian treaties should give the Indians an opportunity "to start interpreting the itreaties line by line."

. Means said, "The white man has been interpreting .them.too.long."

Means, standing in al hatural amphitheates known as "Crow Dog" Paradise" on the Rosebuck Indian Reservation here, said the meeting, scheduled for Sept. 5. should be held in Pierre, South Dakota's capital.

A CROWD of about 250 persons, including women and children, voted to hold the meeting at Pierre after Means and Dennis Banks, another AIM leadi. er, spoke to them. Both are under a variety of fedu eral charges stemming

from the destructive 71day Wounded Knee occupation le dby Means.

Traditional chiefs and headmen of the tribes have moved to hold the meeting on the Pine Ridge Oglala reservation. Wounded Knee is on the Pine Ridge Reservation.

AIM charges that the federa, government has consistently violated Indi-

an treaties, going back to and beyond the 1868 Sioux Treaty which the Indians shid gave them the rights to all of western South Dais 、kota.

"WE YOUNG people (of AIM) provided the tribal elders with a forum to discuss treaty rights with high government officials," Means said.

"Aim has beaten hell out of the whites. We have beaten hell out of the big reservations. At one time we almost destroyed the National. Council on Indian Affairs (NCIA), he said.

I HE SAID that by holding the meeting in Pierre, the national press would be better represented and that news of the treaty negotiations with representatives of White house counsel Leonard Garment could be better disseminated to the world.

"To those who want to live under the Indian Reorganization Act and the current tribal government, I say goodby. You have no business in this meeting. We will deal with the white government on white man's land," he said, referring 4 ... to Pierre, "and we will beat the white man on his ! own ground," Means said.

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RUSSELL MEANS, American Indian Movement leader, relaxes in Rosebud, S.D. He later told followers they will "beat the white man on his own grounds"

when AIM meets with White House reparresentatives in Pierre, S.D., Sept. 5 instead of on Indian land as in past contempences.

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Memorandum

August 15, 1973 TO : SAC MINNEAPOLIS FROM : SA SUBJECT: Dates of Contact 8/14/73 - 8/15/73 File #s on which contacted (Use Titles if File #s not available or when CI provides positive information) 70-6867 (PEDRO BISSONETTE) 70-6882 (RUSSELL MEANS) 157-1460 (RUSSELL MEANS) 176-207 (RUSSELL MEANS) 157-New Purpose and results of contact NEGATIVE X POSITIVE __ STATISTIC Source telephonically contacted the writer during the afternoon of 8/14/73, at which time he stated that RUSSELL MEANS had advised him that MEANS, along with one together with two unnamed females, were currently staying at the Trade Winds Motel in Rapid City, South Dakota. Source telephonically re-contacted writer during the late afternoon of 8/14/73, at which time he stated that he had been to the Trade Winds Motel and had seen MEANS and Motel. Source was unable to ascertain the identity or the two remales, but source did ascertain that was POSITIVE ASSIGNMENT GIVEN (Ghetto only) Has informant shown any indication of emotional instability, unreliability or furnishing false information? Coverage Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained by him SAME since last contact, including information concerning narcotics. PERSONAL DATA 1 - 70-6867 70-6882 SERIALIZED 157-1460 176-207 11 157-New 70-6832-0

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Upon conferring with the above individuals on 8/14/73, source was told that the above individuals intended to stay at the motel for a three day period.

Source stated that while at the Trade Winds Motel, he did not see with RUSSELL MEANS, but that PEDRO BISSONETTE had been at the Trade Winds Motel during the afternoon of 8/14/73 and that BISSONETTE appeared disenchanted.

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Source stated he was not able to determine the vehicle that was currently being utilized by BISSONETTE, but he felt that BISSONETTE may be driving the same cadillac that he had previously been utilizing. Source further stated that if he again made contact with any of the above individuals at the Trade Winds Motel, he would immediately telephonically notify writer. In addition, he would attempt to determine vehicle currently used by BISSONETTE.

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Becoming Major Force

ROSEBUD, S.D. (UPI) 7 The American Indian Movement (AIM), which. planned and led the 71-1 day holdout at Wounded Knee, seems to be emerging as the major force with which a White House delegation must deal next month in yet another showdown on Indian treaty rights.

The Sept. 5 meeting, as was an earlier White House conference with the Indians May 18-19, has been billed as a conference between the President's representatives and "traditional chiefs and headsmen" of the Sioux tribes.

However, it seemed clear the past week at preliminary meetings of the Indians at a site near here that AIM; not the traditional chiefs, has the voting power and is providing the direction

The AIM leaders told the old chiefs in blunt terms that it was AIM and AIM's supporters who turned national attention to Indian problems through their armed confrontation with the federal government at the hamlet of Wounded Knee on the Pine Ridge Oglala Sioux Reservation, close to Rose-1 bud.

Now, AIM has indicated it has no intention of taking a back seat in harvesting the fruits, if any there be, of what happened at-Wounded Knee.

The traditional chiefs had moved to hold the hearing on Indian land on the Pine Ridge Reservation. But AIM easily turned the issue around and won its demand that? the meeting be held on; "white man's ground" ati Pierre — South Dakota's! capital — partly because

news coverage will be bet." ter there.

The chief force at the early conferences was Russell Means, a charis? rhatic 33-year-old nativel Ciglala Sioux who has been in the ranks of AIM!

leadership since early in lits formation.

Means delivered a fiery five-minute speech to win the crowd over to the Pierre location and its acpess to national media. Referring to the occupa-

tion of Wounded Knee, her fold the elders: "Us young people provided the tribal olders with a forum to dist cuss treaty rights with high government officials." He told them, "We will be watching the negotiations and learning."

Means also disagreed sharply with chief Mathey King over the matter of treaty interpretation. King told the crowd at Rosebud that interpretation was "the white man's? ,problem.''

Means jumped to the microphone and demand-4 ed that "the red man begin interpreting these treaties line by line." The white man, he said, "has been interpreting them long enough."

While the traditional chiefs technically will head the delegation, the rank-and-file of younger persons at the Rosebud meetings agreed the AIM group will be the controlling force.

Means, in an interview, conceded that the more militant younger Indiansi tient" at the deliberate ways of the elders.

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AIM LEADERS MEANS, LEFT, AND BANKS (Key Role Seen in White House Talks



i United Press International

ANNOUNCES MEETING — Russell Means, a leader of the American Indian Movement, told the Indians gathered at Rosebud, S.D., that AIM will "beat the white man on his own grounds" when leaders meet with White House representatives Sept. 5 in Pierre, S.D.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
Omaha, Nebraska
August 7, 1973

AMERICAN INDIAN MOVEMENT

On August 1, 1973, a source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, voluntarily furnished the following information:

The source stated on the above date that he learned Vernon Bellecourt, Russell Means and Dennis Banks were in attendance at the National American Indian Movement (AIM) Convention at White Oak, Oklahoma, during the week of July 30, 1973, through August 3, 1973.

During the past two years, the American Indian Movement (AIM) organization has participated in confrontation and takeover of buildings as a result of issues affecting American Indians. was one of the primary organizers in the "Trail of Broken Treaties" which resulted in the Indian occupation of the Bureau of Indian Affairs (RIA) building in Washington, D. C. AIM members provided the primary leadership for the confrontations between Indians and local authorities at Custer, South Dakota, which resulted in the burning of the Court House and Chamber of Commerce buildings. On February 27, 1973, approximately 200 AIM members and supporters entered and took over the town of Wounded Knee, on the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation, South Dakota.

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dissident Indians burglarized a trading post, obtaining firearms and ammunition. In the ensuing days they fortified their positions by making bunkers and confronted Federal officers in an armed standoff.

According to the source, who did not attend the convention, he learned from a reliable source of his, that efforts by the above-named individuals were being made to improve the relationship of the AIM leaders with Carter Camp. Source stated that since the occupation of Wounded Knee, South Dakota, by AIM, there has been a great deal of "in fighting" among the top leaders and the local leaders. Source further stated this is apparently because of the large amounts of money which has ended up in the hands of the leadership and in many instances used for their personal exploits. In addition, source stated many of the leaders, such as those mentioned above, have also utilized the media for their own personal gains.

Source stated Carter Camp was most unhappy about the current situation and his views and attitudes are known among the top leaders of AIM, who is aware of Camp's ability to maintain a fairly large following in as much as he appeals very much to the reservation and young urban Indians through his actions, statements and youth.

Source stated he recently learned that

of the American Indian Movement at Lincoin,

Nebraska, attended the National Convention at White Oak,
Oklahoma, but returned to Lincoln during the early morning
of August 1, 1973. According to the source,

stated that things were still in a turmoil with the leadership of AIM and during the time in which he was there,
nothing constructive was discussed nor were there any
constructive plans made for AIM.

also stated
many Indians left after two days and it was also felt
that many even left the American Indian Movement.

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Source stated caravans would be departing the National Convention starting August 2, 1973, for South Dakota en route to the Sun Dance ceremonies, which are to be held at Leonard Crow Dog's place on the Pine Ridge Reservation. He was unaware of the route to be taken by these caravans. However, he was of the opinion they would not come through Lincoln, "Mebraska, as it is felt by AIM that "Lincoln is too hot."

Source stated John Arbuckle and were requested to attend the Sun Dance activities by national AIM leaders, however, he was of the opinion that Arbuckle may not attend due to personal differences.

Source stated Arbuckle recently stated he. Arbuckle, was at odds with the leadership of AIM, especially Means, Banks and Bellecourt, primarily due to their leadership responsibilities as well as the fact

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that they have tried to assert their policies and direction in the local and state lives of AIM.

This source further stated that Arbuckle had withdrawn financial support by the United Indians of Nebraska to AIM due to past experiences he has had with Means, Banks and the Bellecourts with reference to their exploits and spending habits.

A confidential source in a position to furnish reliable information, advised in Jure, 1973, that the United Indians of Nebraska was formed in the early spring of 1973. It is described as a consulting or coordinating organization designed to help cope with community problems of the American Indian in Nebraska. This organization maintains headquarters at 116 North 12th, Suite 1000, Anderson Building, Lincoln, Nebraska, 68508. It has an office staff of about three persons. The executive chairman/director is John Two Birds Arbuckle.

AMERICAN INDIAN MOVEMENT The organization is governed by an 18 member board of directors from the three Indian tribes in Nebraska, namely the Omaha, the Winnelago, and the Santee Sioux. The American Indian Movement also belongs to United Indians of Nebraska, however, the extent of American Indian Movement influence with United Indians of Nebraska is unknown. The source said the purpose of the organization is to attempt to obtain funds from private foundations and individual doners and dispense these funds to needy Indian individuals and organizations for education, medical facilities, or if deemed needed, also to furnish advice to other Indian organizations. Their function is to obtain better conditions for the Nebraska Indian by peaceful legal means. The same source stated Eddie Benton of the Minneapolis-St. Paul area is supposedly in complete control of AIM actions there. Source also states that Benton, like Arbuckle, is at odds with the top leadership of AIM due to attempts by them to run each and every local Source further states that Benton recently told chapter. Means, Banks and the Bellecourts to "go to hell." He was, and will continue to run AIM activities in the Minneapolis-St. Paul area. Benton, according to the source, further stated, "If the national organization needs help, let them ask for it and I will decide whether or not they get it, and not them." During his contact with the FBI, this source stated that Vernon Bellecourt recently returned to the United States from Europe and was arrested by Federal authorities.

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Source stated he learned that Bellecourt supposedly received over a million dollars in foreign pledges to AIM from several European sources. Scurce stated he has been unable to verify this as of the present time, however, it was told to him by someone he felt to be reliable. Source further stated there has been some talk among AIM members that Vernon Bellecourt also got a commitment from one of the foreign governments he visited for arms and ammunition for use by AIM. Source pointed out that this was purely conversation which has not been substantiated in any way.

In summary, this source stated he felt the AIM was on its way out. He stated as a result of the occupation of Wounded Knee, many Indians feel that armed and violent confrontations will not yield positive responses to the needs of American Indians. Source also stated in his summation that Carter Camp has changed his position somewhat, in that he doesn't appear to be as extremist and violent in his speeches and actions as he was in the recent past. Source did state that Camp's current attitude may be due to the possibility of his being convicted in Nebraska State Court for his actions at Scottsbluff, Nebraska, during Januayr, 1973, when he was arrested for taking part in violent demonstrations in that city and being in possession of incendiary devices. addition, source states Camp faces charges in Federal Court for his actions at Wounded Knee, South Dakota, during its occupation by violent members of AIM. Source went on to state that, even though Camp's attitude may seem to have changed from a violent one to one of moderation, he still believes and considers him to be an extremist and quite violent along with Dennis Banks.

Source could furnish no further information regarding the American Indian Movement other than what has been reported above.

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mation regarding the Sun Dance ceremonies which are to be held at LEONARD CROW DOG's place on the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation in early August, after which the Bureau and interested offices will be advised.

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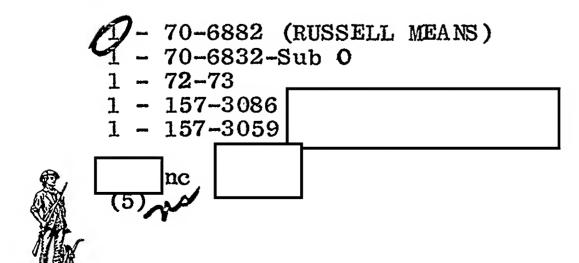
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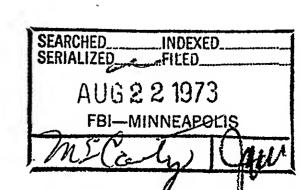
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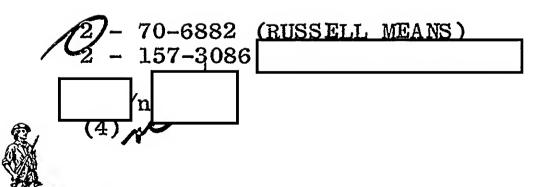
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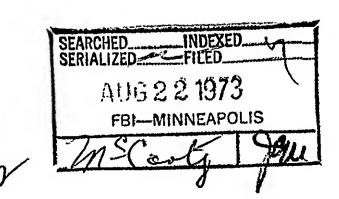
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EACH DEFENDANT CONTINUED AS BEFORE WITH TRIAL SET JANUARY, 1974.

DETAILS THESE VIOLATIONS REPORTED REFERENCED PHOENIX REPORTS.

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BANIEL PETITE AND RUSSELL CHARLES MEANS IN CONNECTION WITH THEIR
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Officially, the mutilation as-danger to tourists. pect of the dance does not ocpart of the thanksgiving

spiritual deader of the insurgents at Wounded Knee.

By Wednesday afternoon there were only four teepees at Crow Dog's, but an Indian spokesman said several hundred Sioux are expected to participate in the four-day dance festival.

After the dance, the Sioux will meet for another week to discuss treaty rights and for-

By JAMES WILSON

Associated Press Writer begins Friday on this souther government to settle land and MISSION, S.D. (AP) — The South Dakota reservation, will civil rights disputes. annual thanksgiving dance of involve many of the persons The Sun Dance dates back as the Plains Indians, banned by who played key roles in the 71 far as recorded Sioux history, the government at the turn of day occupation of Wounded to the 16th century. Historians the century as being a barbaric Knee on the nearby Pine Ridgesay it originated because the

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The dance was then moved to: cur, but some Indians claim it the small tract of land owned President of the 26-member has returned as an important by Leonard Crow Dog, a Rose-ster Two Hawk an Episconafesti- bud Sioux medicine man who ster Two Hawk, an Episcopa-

The Sioux also believed that by suffering the pain of the tearing of skin from their muscles, they took upon themselves much of the agony of their people. They felt the scars could later be shown as evidence of their deep humility to the Spirit.

The Sioux also seek special ed, such as the healing of the injured and ill.

The community of Mission is lanout 15 miles east of Woulded Knee. It is the trading center for the Rosebud Reservation, which consists of 1,400 square miles of rolling prairie where 7,400 of the 7,500 enrolled tribal members live.

became widely known as the lian clergymen who is serving his second term.

> Two Hawk, a foe of the militant American Indian Movement, has been trying in recent days to get a tribal council resolution banning the Sun Dance, but hy said-week he still was not successful

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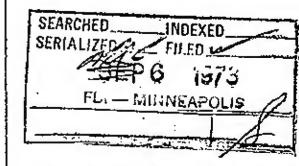
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Trials of Means, Banks consolidated by judge

U.S. Dist. Court Judge Fred liminary proceedings would be Nichol issued an order Monday expedited so that trials could consclidating the trials of begin by November. American Indian Movement Other defense motions inleaders Russell Means and clude requests that the trials be Dennis Banks.

AIM leaders face charges of defendants and that inconspiracy, arson, breaking dictments be dismissed because and entering, civil disorder, as of alleged discrimination in sault and theft in connection grand jury selection. the southwestern South Dakota village of Wounded Knee earlier this year.

Each faces up to 84 years in prison on the charges.

AIM attorneys had asked Nichol to order all seven leaders tried together.

U.S. Atty. William F. Clayton objected to any consolidation and asked that each man be tried separately.

Judge Nichol ordered separate trials for Clyde Bellecourt. Carter Camp, Pedro Bissorett. Leonard Crow Dog and Stanley Holder.

The judge set Sept. 7 as the date for further defense motions.

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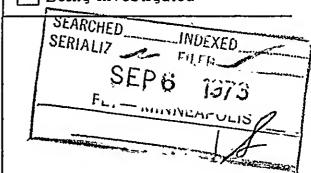
moved, that the government Means, Banks and five other pay the legal expenses of the

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Fosheim replaces Parker as judge over grand jury

"To avoid the appearance of unfairness," Circuit Judge Thomas Parker said he has asked the state Supreme Court to remove him as presiding judge of a grand jury scheduled to appear in Custer to try the cases of persons arrested in connection with the Custer riot on Fcb. 6.

Circuit Judge Jon Fosheim of Huron has been appointed by the Supreme Court to replace Parker. Fosheim has rescheduled the grand jury's appearance from Aug. 14 to Aug. 21.

In a letter to Fred J. Winans, acting chief justice of the Subreme Court of South Dakota, Parker enclosed excerpts from proceedings at the initial arraignment of Russell Means at which he was represented by atterney Ramon Roubideaux.

Parker said, "Roubideaux expressed his and his client's unwillingness to have me preside at any preliminary hearing with respect to his client. It is reasonably certain the charges ledged against Means will be presented to the grand jury.

"I interpret Mr. Roubideaux's statement to infer that his client would file an affidavit of prejudice against me at the trial phase," Parker said.

"I am aware that a person whose case is to be presented), to the grand jury can not pen empterily disqualify the presiding judge, as he can at the trial stage of the proceedings, (Page 2, Column 3)

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However, in the interest of avoiding the appearance of unfairness that might be inferred by Mr. Means, Mr. Roubideaux or others from my further precipiation as the judge to preside over the grand jury proceedings, I respectfully request that another circuit judge be assigned to act," Parker said.

Pursuant to an application on July 23 by William Janklow, assistant attorney general for the state of South Dakota, Parser said he had ordered the calling of a grand jury.

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coordinator; South Dakota. field Clyde Bellecourt, Minnesota About 400 Indians are regisleader, said John Thomas, AIM campsite. communications director.

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dional meetings detained them in South Dakota.

The only international delegates observed here thus far have been a French anthropology professor, his wife and a female companion. An expected Canadian delegation had not arrived this morning.

Vernon Bellecourt, AIM fund raiser, arrived Sunday from a two-day East Coast tour. He did not comment on the results

of his trip. The two-day international conference is to chart AIM's fu-' ture moves, organization leaders såid.

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delegates awaited the arrival of would seek interviews with In-

nied the right of legal counsel. Mike Haney, AIM's Okla-

Luke McKissack, Los Ange-homa City coordinator, re-les, chief trial counsel for those beived a "favorable response" when he discussed the meeting rived here early Monday morn-with the governor's our e,

The activity here was ex-Other arrivals expected Mon- pected to end by Friday to enday included Dennis Banks, co- able a caravan to travel to the founder of AIM in 1968 and its annual Sioux Sun Dance in

coordinator; Russell Means, re-tered as attending the meeting gional coordinator, and Leon-here, but reporters have countard Crow Dog, AIM spiritual ed no more than 300 at the

The group was scheduled to Sunday, AIM officials ousted arrive by car at the Indian- several non-Indians from the owned farm at White Oak, sev- campsite because they attended en miles west of Vinia Sunday ceremonial displays which were

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By PHYLLIS MENSING Ridge Reservation.

And some residents feel it killed in gunfire. the southwestern South Dakota in damage to homes and prop-gene Rooks, executive director reservation which contains an erty. estimated 11,000 Oglala Sioux.

ally closely knit by a kinship farms about a mile from Development Administration pattern relationship. This sud- Wounded Knee. Coates' home (HUD) to build new low-rent den episode of aggressiveness was burned to the ground dur-units at Wounded Knee. Rooks has strained the pattern," said ing the occupation. He said he said HUD estimates the cost at Johnson Holy Rock, a former lost over 60 head of cattle, tons around \$30,000. Oglala Sioux tribal chairman of hay and some chickens. "They (AIM) who is presently a member of Coates, his wife and two chil-for their Black Hills settlement.

sension among the people them-family's problems began when what happened, some dis- and demanded entry. When her brought people into conflict. In- began breaking windows and ternal family structures have gunfire was later exchanged. been disrupted because broth-. Coates said the family put as volved.

On Feb. 27 American Indian fire," he said. Movement-led forces swept into "If the marshals had wanted

were wounded March 10. Short- for occupancy this fall. ly after that, an FBI agent, "We're going back. It's our months ago. The tribal elec-Curtis Fitzgerald of Chicago, homestead," said Mrs. Red tons are scheduled—for "was shot in the hand. Star. was shot in the hand.

Before the stalemate ended, "The government forced us another federal officer, Mar-out. They took our food because WOUNDED KNEE, S.D. shal Lloyd Grimm of Omaha, they thought it would be given (AP) — The 71-day occupation was shot and left partially par to AIM," said Red Star. "Inof Wounded Knee that lasted alyzed, and two of the occu-stead of going to the store, from Feb. 27 to May 9, has left piers, Frank Clearwater, identi-where the AIM forces were, permanent scars for some fam-fied later by the Defense De-they went to the homes of the ilies in Wounded Knee and the partment as a white named residents and forced them to surrounding area of the Pine Frank Clear, and Lawrence La. leave."

has intensified the problems on The occupation also resulted tions still involved," said Eu-

"The people here are cultur- good," said George Coates, who ing with the Housing and Urban

dren live in a small trailer next. We're slow but at least we're "There's an atmosphere of to the charred remains of their doing what we say we will do," distrust or disagreement or dis-home. Mrs. Coates said the he said. selves. Some were in favor of three persons came to the door one of the issues raised by agreed. Consequently, it husband refused, she said, they

ers and sisters, aunts and un-many possessions as they could cles have started taking sides; into the trailer and moved beof positions of the people in hind federal roadblocks. "The for the removal of Bureau of next morning the house was on

the historic village, took over to protect the place, they could, Wilson. "They wanted a legal the trading post and began the have," he added.

In the marshals had wanted they wanted me out," said the trading post and began the have," he added.

In the place, they could, Wilson. "They wanted a legal government through which likey could operate." Wilson calls ment marshals and FBI agents a mong several displaced. AfM members "hoodlums and who set up roadblocks around Wounded Knee families living the expects to seek another in temporary trailer homes in the place, they could operate." Wilson calls who set up roadblocks around Wounded Knee families living the expects to seek another than the place, they could operate." Wilson calls who set up roadblocks around wounded Knee families living the expects to seek another than as tribal president this fall, even though several attempts have been made to imfederal forces, and two Indians pected to be finished and ready tempts have been made to im-

mont, an Oglala Sioux, were "Some others refuse to go killed in gunfire." back because of the high emoof the Oglala Sioux Housing Au-"It sure didn't do me any thority. The authority is work-Administration :

"They (AIM) are still waiting

Control of tribal government, AIM, continues to divide the Oglala Sioux.

AIM leaders Russell Means and Dennis Banks demanded that tribal Chairman Richard Wilson be ousted and new elections be held. They also called Indian Affairs Superintendent Stanley Lyman.

"They wanted me out," said

peach him since he took office 13

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"They (AIM) have a whole lare pro-Wilson others who required Wilson called for more reser-

"AIM didn't help us one bit," AIM or anti-Wilson.

been for the worse," ling to make an aggressive bid us a living. to take charge of tribal government and practice the tradition- said the government will pro- is appealing. al form,"

But he said the traditional form of government, advocated by some pro-AIM people, is almost completely forgotten.

thing about as illusive as a fish, to the Sioux, that one tries to catch by the fusion."

lot of grievances but no solu-inot satisfied with Wilson's pol-vation input into BIA policies. tions," said Wilson. "I think licies and who have gone along "I don't even know what the only the elected constitutional with AIM as an alternative and new plan is," he said. officers can have the solutions. istill others who are simply anti- Holy Rock said he was part

change since the occupation, its for years," said Cuny, a former cluded that the BIA, although it newspaper editor who grew up had faults, was necessary to "At election time, the atmost on the reservation. "One group the future of the Indian. phere is going to be real tense, says we have all the resources "We have a lot of problems depending on what happens to solve our problems and get with our young people," Holy with the tribal legislative system biggest percentage of Rock said. "They have a lot of tem," said Holy Rock. "I think people off the welfare roles and energy and things they obthose who are opposed to con- into jebs. The other philosophy served at Wounded Knee fit stitutional government are go- holds that the government owes into their attitudes. They see an

> "Historically, the vide for the needs of the "The takeover seems to have dian people."

"Some practice a loose form ment that ended the stalemate constitutional government." of fraditional government-for May 8 was that White House However, a teacher at Pine example, following the heredi- representatives come to the res-Ridge said the students aptary line of chiefs. But they are ervation to discuss the creation peared to be more excited mainly going through the mo- of a presidential treaty com- about AIM last year. "AIM sort tions. Those that want tradi- mission to study the 1869 treaty of wore out its welcome," he tional government are trying to granting all land in South Da-said. reach back and grasp some- kota west of the Missouri River | He said the occupation was

hand. It all adds to the con- with Frank Fools Crow and oth- many parents would not allow tusion."

er tribal elders near Kyle, their children to talk about it

william Cuny, an economic northeast of Wounded Knee, and the teachers did not want development specialist at Pine Fools Crow and the others to create trouble. Ridge, said the reservation is urged the White House to abol- "We hardly knew there was divided into several factions, ish the Indian Reorganization an occupation," he said. They include those who are Act that provides for elected! Reservation schools definitely pro-Aud, those who tribal governments and to let closed for a time during the octhe Indians return to older cupation because students were ways.

from the talks.

of Indian Affairs and changes these who died in the 1890 in federal Indian relationships, battle between Indians and U.S. Several congressional hearings troopers and to see the place have been held, but no major where Lamont was buried in changes have been imple-May. mented.

of a task force that studied the he added. "If there's been any "We have seen things wrong issue. He said the group con-

> lavenue for that energy and treaties whether it is right or wrong, it

people. But we have seen this brought an increase in an attias terribly debilitating to In-tude adverse to law enforcement and the judicial system! One of the terms of the settle- as practiced by the tribe under

not discussed in his school dur-That group met late in Mayling classes this spring because

unable to get to classes.

Nothing major has come! Tourists come to the cemetery on the hill above Wounded Another issue raised by AIM Knee during the summer was the reform of the Bureau months to view the graves of

miany admit they wouldn't

have made a special effort to visit the area had it not been for the nationwide publicity giv-

en the occupation.

However, some think there are fewer tourists this year. Harold and Lucile Kosnicki, owners of a motel in nearby Martin, said the number of tourists appears to have dropped. "We get a lot of calls about Wounded Knee," Kosnicki said, "but people come back and say there's nothing there,"

It will be a time yet before the effects of the occupation of the village can be fully

analyzed.

"No matter what happens, people are still going to demand a certain continuity," said Cuny. "It's liable to take, years to lock back."

Security ForSunl

By JAMES WILSON Associated Press "vriter

liminary ceremonies for the begin at dawn Sunday. American Indian Movement Leonard Crow Dog, a medi-(AIM) Sun Dance began Satur-cine man who owns the valley day amid tight security to pre-, where the ceremony is being vent non-Indians from either held, said more than 900 perobserving or interfering with tons had registered by noon the traditional Plains Indians Saturday and that caravans of religious ceremoy.

Sioux AIM member and chief the AIM convention which conof security at the dance site, cluded Friday in White Oak, said he had conferred with Bu-Okla. reau of Indian Affairs police Several non-Indians who said and with reservation tribal they were AIM sympathizers leaders and that a mutual se-were turned away from the curity agreement had been grounds by Standing Elk's reachetl,

all campers that will prevent about one-half mile away, any of our people from leaving where they were asked to rehere after 9:30 at night," main until treaty talks begin on Standing Elk said. "The BIA Thursday. police have promised to patrol. The treaty talks are also the area to prevent all non-In coordinated by AIM and the

to the police at Mission and representatives. they promised to cooperate lems," he said.

lation of about 8,000.

Standing Elk said the reason ceremony.

dates through the recorded history of the Plains Indians to the MISSION, S.D. (AP) - Pre-16th century, was scheduled to

Indians were still en route from Ted Standing Elk, a Rosebud New York, North Dakota and

unarmed security guards. The "We have placed a curfew on whites were directed to a camp

dians and potential trouble-Department of Interior has makers from gefting too close." been invited to participate. "Neither we nor the BIA There was no word whether the wants any trouble. I also talked government would send any religious men of the tribe.

with us in preventing any prob-cussion of Indian treaties with purification rites of the sweat the U.S. government. The talks lodge, an ancient steam gauna. Mission, a town of about 1,200 were one of the conditions that The dancers fast from food and persons, is about one-third led to the settlement of the 71- water for the entire four days, white. It is the only in day occupation of Wounded dancing from dawn until dusk. corporated community on the Knee, S. D., earlier this year. The dancers also selected the 1,400 square-mile Rosebud Res- by Indian militants. The gov- men who will perform the traervation, which has a popu- ernment said later it could not ditional piercing ceremonies on negotiate treaties.

studded valley chosen for the and longtime AIM leader Den-strips of skin. Banks were said to be on The practice is officially forroute with the convention cara bidden by the government.

The four-day festival, which yan, but were not expected to arrive until Sunday or Monday,

> A source close to AIM said the militants are using the religous festival to recruit members from the Roschud Reservation and to heal a division within the ranks of the national membership over the spending of money that has been contrib-! uted since the much-publicized! Wounded Knee takeover.

> Standing Elk, an enrolled Rosebud Sioux in his late 20s. was among the more than 200 insurgents who held Wounded Knee. He admitted that the AIM chapter on the Rosebud Reservation has only four members, but he quickly added that "95 per cent of the Indians who live here are pro-AIM."

The 152 men who are particpating in the Sun Dance huddled under the shade of the carousel-like sun lodge shortly after noon Saturday. The center pole was set up and the offerings of food and tobacco were made to the Indians' Spirit, Mother Earth, by the elderly

Before the daily dances be-AIM wants to reopen the dis- gin, the participants endure the

the final day of the festival.

Russell Means and Clyde The dancers' back and chest AIM is coordinating the tradi- Bellecourt were the only nation- muscles will be pierced with tional Sioux Sun Dance is to al AIM officers in camp for sharp leather tongs, which are maintain tight control over the Saturday's opening ceremonies, tied by ropes to the center pole, more than 1,000 Indians ex- Carter Camp, Ponca City, As the dancers pull away from pected to encamp in the pine. Okla., the new AIM president, the pole, the tongs tear away

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AIM Group On Its Way To Rosebud

WHITE OAK, Okla. (AP) A caravan of American Indian Movement (AIM) members departed the national convention site here Saturday afternoon for the Sioux Sun Dance Ceremony in South Dakota.

The group of 16 cars and three trucks left the campsite at 1:35 p.m. with an estimated 90 people in the vehicles. The highest - ranking AIM leader with the group was Vernon Bellecourt a member of the five-man policy council.

Carter Camp of Ponca City, Okla., the newly elected national chairman, and executive director Dennis Banks said they would travel to South Dakota by airplane late Saturday or Sunday.

About 40 AIM members remained at the campsite Saturday afternoon to clean up the area. The two-week convention ended Friday night with a powwow that attracted about 100

rhose traveling in the caravan had planned to depart at 10:30 a.m., but were delayed by the cleanup. The Indians also said a prayer and passed around a peace pipe before

leaving.

Camp, a 29-year-old Ponca Indian, commented on a report that Martin Seneca was the leading candidate to become the new federal Indian commissioner.

"He's not acceptable," Camp said. "No one could do an adequate job. Not even Carter Camp could do an adequate job because you can't change that bureaucracy."

An Oklahoma City newspaper had quoted reliable sources in Washington Friday as saying that Interior Secretary Rogers C.B. Morton had decided to appoint Seneca to the post.

AlM announces inglionwide school boycorr

WHITE OAK, Ohla. (AP)American Indian Movement (AIM) leaders announced Wednesday a nationwide school boycott this fall until a rural Ok-, lahoma school district re-admits: an 11-year-old Indian with shoul-! der length hair.

Center of the controversy is Buddy Hatch, an Arapaho whom AIM leaders Dennis Banks and Russell Means said was expelled from the Canton school in Blaine County in northwest Oklahoma.

- Banks and Means also announced that AIM had joined the United Farm Workers' boycott of Safeway Stores. They also said ALM would ask tribal governments to revoke Safe-' way's licenses to operate on Indian reservations.

The Indian leaders also de-i nounced a Dallas police officer's alleged killing of an 11-year-old Mexican - American last week. Banks said the youth! was a "Chicano brother," and he called Dallas "the city of assassination."

On the school issue, Banks told reporters he was not sure how many children might participate in the boycott. "There are 275,000 Indian children and AIM has 50,000 adult members. But we're not sure at this point how many will join," he said.

He charged that 250 children in northwest Oklahoma alone have been kept out of school since last fall because of the

hair issue.

Means said Indians have been dighting the long hair issue for three years but "the federal courts are hostile to Indian heritage,."

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nificant aspect of the Plains In- preparations for the festival. dians' traditional religion, ap-Indian Movement (AIM).

here for its start.

AIM led the 71-day occupation of Wounded Knee earlier this year, a conflict that resulted in the deaths of two insurgents and the gunshot wounding of nine other persons, including two federal officers.

The Sun Dance will be held with a change in rules that government. Reservation in south central to the 16th century. South Dakota.

Wounded Knee occupation.

A grave on the tract is a constant reminder of the violence of the adventure at Wounded Knee. Frank Clearwater, a 47year-old Californian, was buried in a plot on Crow Dog's land after Oglala Sioux tribal officials at Pine Ridge refused a request by Clearwater's wid-Wounded Knee.

of Wounded Knee at the dance dancing alone."

MISSION, S.D. (AP) - The mother said. She was one of and liquid during the sunlight Sioux Sun Dance, a most sig- more than 200 persons making hours. Crow Dog said the dancers

Dennis Banks, who is free on also will be subjected to the parently is being geared as a bond from charges in the occu-sacrificial' piercing ceremony rallying call for the American pation, was the first national that involves insertion of a AIM official to arrive. He re-leather thong under the chest The Sun Dance was delayed turned from the Oklahoma con- and back skin. That ceremony from dawn Friday until Sunday vention late Thursday to con-led to the government's banso that some 400 delegates to duct the closed AIM meeting at ning the Sun Dance from 1904 AIM's international convention Crow Dog's home. Clyde and until 1934. It was later reinin White Oak, Okla., can be'Vernon Rellecourt were to ar-stated, but the personal mutilarive later and Russell Means tion has been prohibited by the and Carter Camp, newly-elect-government.
ed AIM president, were en route "Each dancer will probably

to the Rosebud reservation with be pierced twice during the a 70-car caravan of AIM mem-four days," Crow Dog said. He bers, Crow Dog said. would not comment on the AIM involvement in the Sun ramifications of the personal Dance was emphasized further mutilation prohibition by the

on a 40-acre tract in a pine- have governed the ceremony. The personal mutilation is a studded valley on the 1,400-during the recorded history of tearing of the skin from the

The small tract of land where tonian and professor at the Uni-Ludge constructed of pine

the Sun Dance will be held be versity of North Dakota, Grand poles. The Indians believe the longs to Leonard Crow Dog, a Forks, said that through history sacrifice is a penance to their 32 year-old Rosebud Sioux only Plains Indians such as the Spirit for favors granted. medicine man who became Sioux, Arapaho, Ariokha and widely known as an adviser to Crow have been permitted to who lives in Mission says the the AIM leadership during the participate or observe the Sun Sun Dance should not be used Dance.

> Banks and the Bellecourts are Chippewa from Minnesota and classified as Woods In-Iroquois and California Apache neapolis in 1968, said she is are expected to attend the festi- looking forward to the Sun val.

ow that he be buried at opening it (the Sun Dance) to criticized the AIM takeover at all Indians. If we permitted Wounded Knee. There was another reminder only the purebloods, I would be

mourned at the funeral of the 152 male dancers will follow mother of three who works as a other Wounded Knee fatality, Sioux tradition in dancing con-maid at a motel. "The Indian Lawrence LaMonte, was among tinuously from dawn to dusk people didn't want violence at the first arrivals for the Sun during each of the four days of Wounded Knee. We don't want Dance. "We got here early for the festival. He said they also any trouble here. The white the Aim enecting tonight, hie will observe a fast from food Page 2, Column 4)

square-mile Rosebud Indian the Sioux Nation, which dates chests and backs of the dancers as they move away from a cen-Art Raymond, an Indian his-ter pole within a circular Sun

One AIM charter member as an AIM rally but should be continued as a part of the traditional religion.

Clara Ferguson, who helped dians. In addition, New York write the AIM charter in Min-Dance, but is disappointed that the AIM leaders apparently are Said Crow Dog: "We are "manipulating it." She also

"Banks, Means and the Belleof Wounded Knee at the dance dancing alone."

courts have given us a bad site Thursday. A family that However, Crow Dog said the name," said the 44-year-old (Indicate page, name of newspaper, city and state.)

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peoble in this town have worked hard for what they have. It shouldn't be destroyed."

There was cautious optimism at Mission that there would be no trouble from the organization, but white residents held a meeting Wednesday night to discuss whether the state could send police if violence erupted. They were told by state Public Safety Director Lynn Muchmore that the reservation is under the jurisdiction of the federal government and such decisions would have to be made by the Justice Department and the Department of Interior.

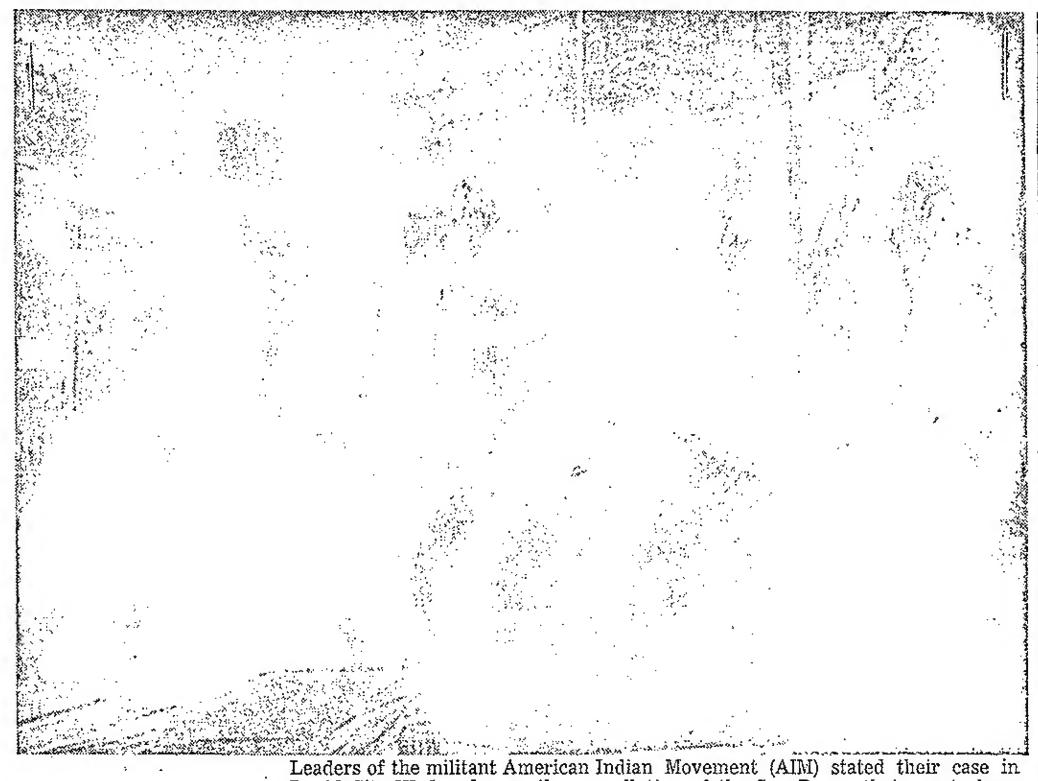
There were reports in Mission that a few federal officers were staying in Valentine, N.b., a community 32 miles south of wission.

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AIM leaders state their case Leaders of the militant American Indian Movement (AIM) stated their case in Rapid City Wednesday on the cancellation of the Sun Dance that was to have been held at the Crazy Horse monument. They said they were denied religious freedoms when law enforcement officials removed them from the grounds. Among the leaders who issued the statements are Russell Means, left, and Dennis Banks, in front. The three leaders in back were not identified.

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and MEANS and source had advised that he did not have any indication from these individuals where they were going when they left the Tradewinds Notel. Source stated that apparently is a las seen at South Dakota on numerous occasions.

It was noted by source that he was previously of the opinion that BISSONETTE was staving with in Rapid City, South Dakota, at Source stated that he recalled BISSONETTE telling him that BISSONETTE had given his Cadillac to his girlfriend about two weeks ago and that this girlfriend was allegedly using this vehicle to travel to a location somewhere in the midwest and believed to be in Indiana. Source stated that the last time he saw BISSONETTE, which was several days ago, BISSONETTE was at that time driving the black or blue old model Chevrolet that source had previously described.

In regard to the green lambler with Michigan tags which source saw at the Tradewinds Motel upon source contact with the above subjects several days ago, source stated that he had not again seen this vehicle and he was therefore unable to obtain the license tags for this vehicle.



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and that and that Rapid City, S.D. Source stated that MEANS had left Rapid City, S.D., on the morning of 8/17/73, and he was allegedly flying to Denver, Colo., but Source did not know MEANS' final destination.	
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Upon last contact with BISSONETTE. Source was advised that BISSONETTE had given his

and that BISSONETTE was now driving an older model black or blue Chevrolet with a South Dakota two - tag. Source advised on two occasions on 8/16/73, BISSONETTE had attempted to contact MEANS telephonically while Source was at the Trade Winds Motel, but MEANS was not there at that time and was allegedly in meeting with unknown individuals

Source stated that he had previously thought that BISSONETTE was registered at the Trade Winds, but that upon confering with BISSONETTE, he had learned that BISSONETTE had, in fact, not registered at the Trade Winds Motel, but was merely staying with the group that had registered in Rooms 12 and 13.

Source stated that a telephone call had been received BISSONETTE and this telephone call, from an unknown individual, was allegedly very important and that a telephone number with an exchange of 867 or 857 was left for BISSONETTE to call.

Source stated he was aware of the following telephone numbers which were called by occupants of Room 12 and 13 and all these numbers were local numbers in Rapid City and were as follows:

In addition, Source stated that telephone calls had been made to ROUBIDEAUX's office and to the Rapid City airport.

Source concluded in stating that he would attempt to obtain the license plate number for BISSONETTE's current vehicle and that in addition, he would attempt to ascertain the Tag number for a green Rambler with unknown Wisconsin tags which was believed to be used by one of the individuals who were either staying at the Trade Winds Motel or was visiting the individuals registered in Rooms 12 and 13 in the Trade Winds Motel.

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FACILITIES AT THE LOCAL AIR OFFICE CONTACTIES PERSONS IN SEVERAL DIFFERENT STATES. BANKS HAS ADVISED AIR PERSONNEL THAT HE MAY LEAVE DES HOIMES ON 8-29-73 OR 8-26-73. DESTIDATION NOT STATED.

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USA, DES HOINES; DES HOINES POLICE DEPARTHENT; AND STATE OFFICIALS AUARE OF ABOVE INFORMATION.

PHOESIX, WITE ARREST OF PETITE SHO IS ON SOSD FOR ARL DASH CONSPIRACY. MOTIFY U.S. ATTORNEY, PHOENIX, OF ARREST.

ATTHEAPOLIS. DETERMINE IF ABOVE LISTED PERSONS WERE ARRESTED AT VOUEDED RUSE.

INVESTIGATION BY ONAHA HAS NOT SUGGESTED ANY OF THESE

PERSONS WERE ARRESTED AT WOUNDED RUSE EXCEPT FOR ROBALD

DANIEL PETITE:

EMEAU WILL BE PROMPTLY ADVISED OF ADDITIONAL INFORMATION CONCERNING ACTIVITIES OF BANKS.

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TO : SAC, (ATYM.

FROM SA John E. McCarty (70-6882)

SUBJECTRUSSELL CHARLES MEANS, CIR*ARL: ETAL

A review of the Means file has determined the following intra-Divis leads should be covered, and copies designated for files indicated.

1. On 3/7/73

Sioux Baptist Church, Pine Ridge, S.D. advised that when he was at WK on 3/7/73 he saw 20-25 persons carrying guns and that he "Could not identify any of the persons other than Russell Means".

LEAD; Re-contact to determine if he can identify Means as har

been armed when he was in MK. (70-6882)

2. On 3/7/73 he had been in WK the night of 2/27/73. When he attempted to leave he was told he would he to secure the permission of Means. He then went to a trailer in WK heing

occupied by Means. He ob serve

in the tailer with Means.

LEAD: Inasmuch as all three women may have been with Means at the time of the WK takeover, and obviously had close contact with him immediately following the takeover, they should be thoroughly interviewed as to their knowledge of the takeover. Determine specifically what knowledge they may have of the plans of the AIM leaders regarding the takeover prior to the time it actually occurred. All three may be located through the Pine

Ridge Police Dept. CC 70-6866(Bellecourt) 70-6867(Bissonette) Medssim

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per 3/8/75 Furnished and	agned Statement to SA
in which one stated that on 3/0/73 or	and hearth of face
it's been a long time, you just couldn't sta	
LEAD; Through on Pine Ridge Res	servation
then set forth appropriate lead	d to have her interviewed ro.
her knowledge of the WK takeover, placing s	pocial emphasis on her knowle
of the activities of the AIM leaders. (70-686	56)
4. On 3/12/73	advised SA Robert D. Harvey
that	with Means an
redro Bissonette during the early stages of	the WK occupation.
was subsequently inter	vlewed and claimed no knowl.
of the takover, but at that time admitted his	s feer of AIM.
LEAD; Inasmuch as the takeover has now ende	t and mays
be more inclined to talk, he should be re-in	nterviewed regarding his
with Means and Bissonette(70-68	32 and 70-6867)

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO: John McCarty - FBI DATE: 8/24/73
FROM: SEARCHEDINDEXED SERIALIZEDFILED
SUBJECT: FBI Leads lead to FBI — MINNEAPOLIS STOTTS I
We would appreciate it if the following leads could be checked to be out regarding the cases arising out of the takeover of Wounded Sure Knee.
1. Sally Hatt, a resident of Wounded Knee or Pine Ridge, should be interviewed if she has not already been interviewed. The She should be interviewed regarding any information she has regarding the activities in Wounded Knee the night of the takeover and on the following days in which she was there. 2. should be reinterviewed. She has given substantial information both in her 302 and grand jury testimony regarding the actions which took place in Wounded Knee, however, to the best of my knowledge, a photo layout has not been exhibited to her. This should be done to determine whether or not she can make any positive identifications in addition to the previous identifications she has made.
who have previously been interviewed, should be recontacted and given a photo spread of various individuals in Wounded Knee to see what positive identifications can be made by these individuals.
4. If he has not already been interviewed, South Dakota, should be interviewed. Mr who drove into Wounded Knee on the night of February 27, 1973 for curosity purposes. They left the same night taking an individual to a hospital. Mr. should be interviewed regarding any information or observations he has regarding what went on in Wounded Knee on the night of the 27th of February. 5.
testified before the grand jury. The day after the takeover he made certain observations as to what occurred in and around the trading post. He testified that

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should be contacted to
and effort should be made to interview
regarding any observations he might
have had while in Wounded Knee, South Dakota.
also referred to If Mr.
has not been interviewed, an attempt to interview him
should be made He was apparently a permanent resident of
Wounded Knee.
the occupiers of Wounded Knee. According to
testimony, is the individual who informed
of the fact that
should be interviewed regarding his observations
in Wounded Knee and also regarding any specific knowledge he
has regarding the individuals or circumstances surrounding
testified before the grand jury.
His testimony indicated that on at least one occasion when
he are in Worndad Whose attending a mosting.
he was in Wounded Knee attending a meeting, a should be
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located and interviewed regarding any observations or knowledge
he had regarding the activities in Wounded Knee.

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A review of Rapid City Command Post indices	in the
Minneapolis Division on August 20, 1973, by Special Ag	ent
reflected no reference for the follow	
three telephone numbers, all area code	343-
5544, and	_

A review of the indices regarding telephone 605-348-3326 disclosed that this number was listed for the Wounded Knee Legal Defense/Offense Committee, 1563 Kellogg Place, Star Village Motel, Rapid City, South Dakota.

· Contact with	
Northwestern Telephone	
Company, Sioux Falls, South Dakota, telephone number	
reflected the following regarding the above four	
telephone numbers:	
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number 605-343-5544 is listed to North Central Airlines, Rap	i
City Airport, Rapid City, South Dakota.	
* Telephone number was listed to]
South Dakota.	_

The records of Northwest Telephone Company at Sioux Falls, South Dakota, did not disclose any information regarding 605-348-3326.

was requested to clerify information in the files of Northwest Telephone Company regarding the above number and upon telephonically contacting the Rapid City, South Dakota, Office of Northwest Telephone Company, advised as follows:

It was noted that the address for the subscriber of this telephone number was formerly carried as 1563 Kellogg Place, Star Village Motel, Rapid City, South Dakota, and the address is now reflected as 107 Kansas City Street, Rapid City, South Dakota. This number is still listed for the Wounded Knee Legal Defense/Offense Committee.

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voluntarily advised that telephone number 605 348 3326 in Rapid City, South Dakota, was billed to American Indian Movement Attorney RAMON A. ROUBIDEAUX.	
In addition. voluntarily advised that telephone number which was listed to South Dakota,	
had been billed to RAMON A. ROUBIDEAUX, but that ROUBIDEAUX no longer is taking responsibility for the billing of this telephone number, effective August 15, 1973.	

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SENT 8-23-73 12:15 AM TAE PM CST NITEL 8-22-73 IJS

TO DIRECTOR

DENVER

MINNEAPOLIS

PHOENIX

FROM OMAHA 100-8746 1P

PROPOSED DEMONSTRATION AT GRIMES STATE OFFICE BUILDING, DES MOINES, IA., SPONSORED BY AMERICAN INDIAN MOVEMENT (AIM) CHAPTER, DES MOINES, IA. 8-22-73. EM - AIM.

TODAY SA IOWA STATE BUREAU CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION,
DES. MOINES, IA. ADVISED CAPTIONED DEMONSTRATION OCCURED WITH 10
PERSONS ARRIVING AT THE BUILDING AT APPROXIMATELY 3:15 PM. SEVERAL
CARRIED FIREARMS.

AIM MEMBERS WENT TO SECOND FLOOR AND ORDERED EMPLOYEES TO LEAVE SHOUTING "INDIANS ARE TAKING OVER." SUBSEQUENTLY IOWA BCI AGENTS AND IHP OFFICERS SEALED OFF SECOND FLOOR AND EVACUATED ALL CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES.

RONALD DANIEL PETITE WHO WAS NOT PRESENT AT THE BEGINNING ARRIVED LATE AND IDENTIFIED HIMSELF AS LEADER AND SPOKESMAN FOR INDIANS. STATE OFFICIALS TALKED WITH INDIANS UNTIL APPROXIMATELY 5 PM WHEN COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC SAFETY ISSUED ULTIMATUM AND AT

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5:15 PM INDIANS SURRENDERED AND SUBMITTED TO ARREST.

PETITE, HARVEY MAJOR AND 7 OTHER MALES AND I FEMALE CHARGED WITH DISTURBING THE PEACE AND TRANSPORTED TO DES MOINES CITY JAIL

TODAY A SOURCE WHO HAS FURNISHED RELIABLE INFO IN THE PAST ADVISED THAT AS RESULT OF ARRESTS DENNIS BANKS AND RUSSELL MEANS WERE EXPECTED TOARRIVE IN DES MOINES 8:53 PM TODAY OR TONIGHT.

ALL AREA LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES FULLY AWARE OF EVENTS AS ENUMERATED ABOVE.

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RE OMAHA TEL TO BUREAU 8-22-73.

RELIABLE SOURCE IS

ARRIVAL OF BANKS AND MEANS TO BE DISCREETLY COVERED BY BUREAU AGENTS.

TEL FURNISHED TO DENVER, MINNEAPOLIS AND PHOENIX IN VIEW OF BOND STATUS OF PERSONS MENTIONED.

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SAC, MINNEAPOLIS (70-6882)

DATE: 8/22/73

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ReMPrep SA 8/3/73; PXrep SA 7/31/73, captioned, "RONALD DANIEL PETITE, aka; ET AL, ARL - CONSPIRACY, OO: PX, (MP file 176-207)."

ReMPrep requests that the Phoenix Division provide the details of the arraignment of RUSSELL CHARLES MEANS in USDC, Phoenix on 6/18/73. This information is set forth in rePXrep and additional information concerning the progress of this litigation will continue to be furnished to the MP Division under the caption "RONALD DANIEL PETITE, aka; ET AL, ARL - CONSPIRACY, OO: PX, PX file 176-59, MP file 176-207.

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TO DIRECTOR (100-462483)

MINNEAPOLIS (70-6882)

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FROM PHOENIX (157-1729) (P) (1P)

DEMONSTRATION AT GRIMES STATE OFFICE BUILDING, DES MOINES, IOWA, SPONSORED BY AMERICAN INDIAN MOVEMENT (AIM) CHAPTER, DES MOINES, IOWA, 8-22-73. EM-AIM.

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WAS ADVISED OF CHAGES AGAINST RONALD

DANIEL PETITE AT DES MOINES, IOWA, FOR DISTRUBING THEEACV

HOWEVER, WILL NOT RECOMMEND BOND REVOCATION ACTION AGAINST PETITE

AT THIS TIME DUE TO RELATIVELY MINOR CHARGES INVOLVED. PENDING

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FROM SAC, ALBANY (157-1418) (P) ALL OFFICES VIA FBIHQ

INDIAN DEMONSTRATIONS, UNITED STATES - CANADA BORDER CROSSING POINTS, SEPTEMBER 1-3, 1973, EXTREMIST MATTER &

TRE BUREAU NITEL DATED 8/21/73.

ON INSTANT DATE, LIEUTANT NEW YORK STATE POLICE, MALONE, NEW YORK, ADVISED HE HAS RECEIVED

INFORMATION FROM HIS SOURCES INDICATING THAT ABOUT 100 INDIANS HAVE

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GAT HERED ON CORNWALL ISLAND, ONTARIO, CANADA, AND SOME ARE LIVING IN TENTS THERE. SOME INDIANS HAVE BEEN IDENTIFIED AS TUSCARORAS FROM NIAGARA COUNTY, NEW YORK, CAUGHNAWAGA FROM QUEBEC, CANADA, AND MANITOBA, CANADA LICENSE PLATES HAVE BEEN OBSERVED. LIEUTENANT ADVISED ONE OF HIS SOURCES HAS IDENTIFIED RUSSELL MEANS AMONG THOSE PRESENT.

LIEUTENANT SAID ATTEMPTS TO DETERMINE REASON
THESE PERSONS ARE IN THE AREA HAVE BEEN NEGATIVE.

A CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE WHO HAS FURNISHED RELIABLE INFORMATION IN THE PAST, ADVISED ABOUT 100 INDIANS MOSTLY 20 TO 30 YEARS OF AGE WHO ARE LIVING IN TENTS ON CORNWALL ISLAND ARE FROM SASKATCHEWAN, CANADA, AND VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA, CANADA, ALONG WITH SOME LOCAL TRADITIONAL MOHAWK INDIANS. NONE ARE KNOWN TO BE ARMED AND THE ONLY REASON GIVEN FOR BEING THERE IS QUOTE TO VISIT UNQUOTE. THE SOURCE SAID A KNOWLEDGEABLE

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b6 b70 SOURCE FROM CORNWALL ISLAND, ADVISED HIM NEITHER.

RUSSELL MEANS NOR ANYONE KNOWN TO BE ASSOCIATED WITH THE AMERICAN INDIAN MOVEMENT (AIM) HAVE BEEN OBSERVED. THE SOURCE SAID THAT THE ONLY INDIANS THAT HAVE COME SO FAR ARE CANADIAN INDIANS AND OTHER CANADIAN, INDIANS

MAY BE ON THEIR WAY.

ALL RECEIVING OFFICES CONTACT SOURCES AND DETERMINE IF ANY INDIAN GROUPS ARE HEADING FOR CORNWALL ISLAND, ONTARIO, CANADA, AND ADVISE BURAU AND ALBANY.

LEFT THE MINNEAPOLIS TERRITORY FOR CORNWALL ISLAND AND SUTEL REPLY.

ALBANY WILL MAINTAIN CLOSE CONTACT WITH NEW YORK
STATE POLICE AND SOURCE AND ATTEMPT TO DETERMINE PURPOSE
FOR GATHERING AND ANY AIM INVOLVEMENT.
ADMINSTRATIVE:

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FIRST SOURCE MENTIONED IS TONY BARNES, FRANKLIN COUNTY DEPUTY SHERIFF, HOGANSBURG, NEW YORK.

KNOWLEDGEABLE SOURCE FROM CORNWALL ISLAND IS

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INDIAN RESERVATION, ONTARIO, CANADA.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

SAC, MINNEAPOLIS (70-6882)

DATE:

9/2/73

FROM:

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SUBJECT:

RUSSELL MEANS

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Re letter of United States Attorney (USA) WILLIAM F. CLAYTON to SA JOHN E. MC CARTY dated 7/23/73.

Attached is an FD-302 reflecting an interview with Oglala Sioux Tribal Court, regarding the court order of 2/9/73.

The certified copy of the court order will be maintained in the 1A section of 70-6882.

A copy of this memo and FD-302 is being directed to SA because he is coordinating the leads arising out of the "Orders of Proof" prepared by USA's Office and this lead may have been duplicated in the various "Orders of Proof".

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The language of this unsigned, handwritten document was incorporated into the court order.

advised that she is the individual who would introduce the court order into evidence at a trial.

A copy of the above described court order is attached.

THE OGLALA SIOUX TRIBAL COURT)
OGLALA SIOUX TRIBE
PINE RIDGE INDIAN RESERVATION)

SS. COURT CRUER

WHEREAS, a petition has been filed into the Oglals Sioux Tribal Court by the Oglala Sioux Tribal President, stating that his life has been threatened by the American Indian Movement and that the American Indian Movement has threatened to remove certain Records held in safe keeping by the Bureau of Indian Affairs, and that the safety of the law abiding citizens of the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation may be in danger by the American Indian Movement coming to Pine Ridge as they have threatened to do. That petitioner has petitioned the Court to issue an Order requesting the presence of United States Marshalls on the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation until such time as they are needed, and that the presence of other Federal Officers be made available if the need arises.

WHEREFORE: BE IT AND IT IS HEREWITH ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED:

THAT, the Court of the Oglala Sioux Tribe hereby grants a Court Order that the presence of United States Marsballs be requested immediately and other Federal Officers be made available as the need prises.

THAT, any person or persons may show cause why this Court Order should not stand as committed.

THAT, this Court Order shall stand as committed until otherwise changed by the entitled Court of the Oglala Sioux Tribe.

THAT, failure to abide by this Court Order, any person or persons will be held for prosecution under Section 72, of the Revised Code of the Oglala Sioux Tribe, entitled, "DISOREDIENCE TO THE LAMFUL ORDER OF THE COURT."

DONE THIS 9TH DAY OF FEBRUARY 1973 IN THE COURS HOUSE OF THE CGLALA SIOUX TRIBES PINE RIDGE AGENCY, STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA, COUNTY OF SHANNON.

APTEST:

DEPOTE OF COURT

Wester / White

CERTIFICATION OF SERVICE

THEREBY CERTIFY THAT I HAVE SERVED THIS COURT GROER ON THIS DAY OF AS DIRECTED.

This is a true Copy

of the tribue Court order

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SAC, MINNEAPOLIS (70-6882)(P)

8/31/73

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Rapid City CP

RUSSELL MEANS CIR

Re letter of USA WILLIAM F. CLAYTON to SA JOHN MC CARTY, dated 7/23/73, and captioned United States v. Russell Means.

Attached is tape recording of speech of DENNIS BANKS given on 2/15/73 at Rapid City Central High School.

In referenced letter, USA CLAYTON requested that his office be furnished a transcript of the speech of DENNIS BANKS given on 2/15/73 at Rapid City Central High School.

on 8/28/73.

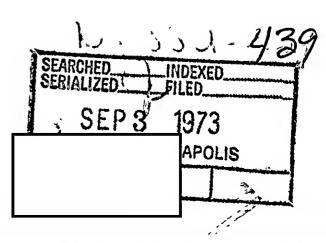
Rapid City Central High School,

furnished the attached tape recording.

Minneapolis is requested to transcribe the attached tape recording, and return the transcription and tape recording to Rapid City Command Post.

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